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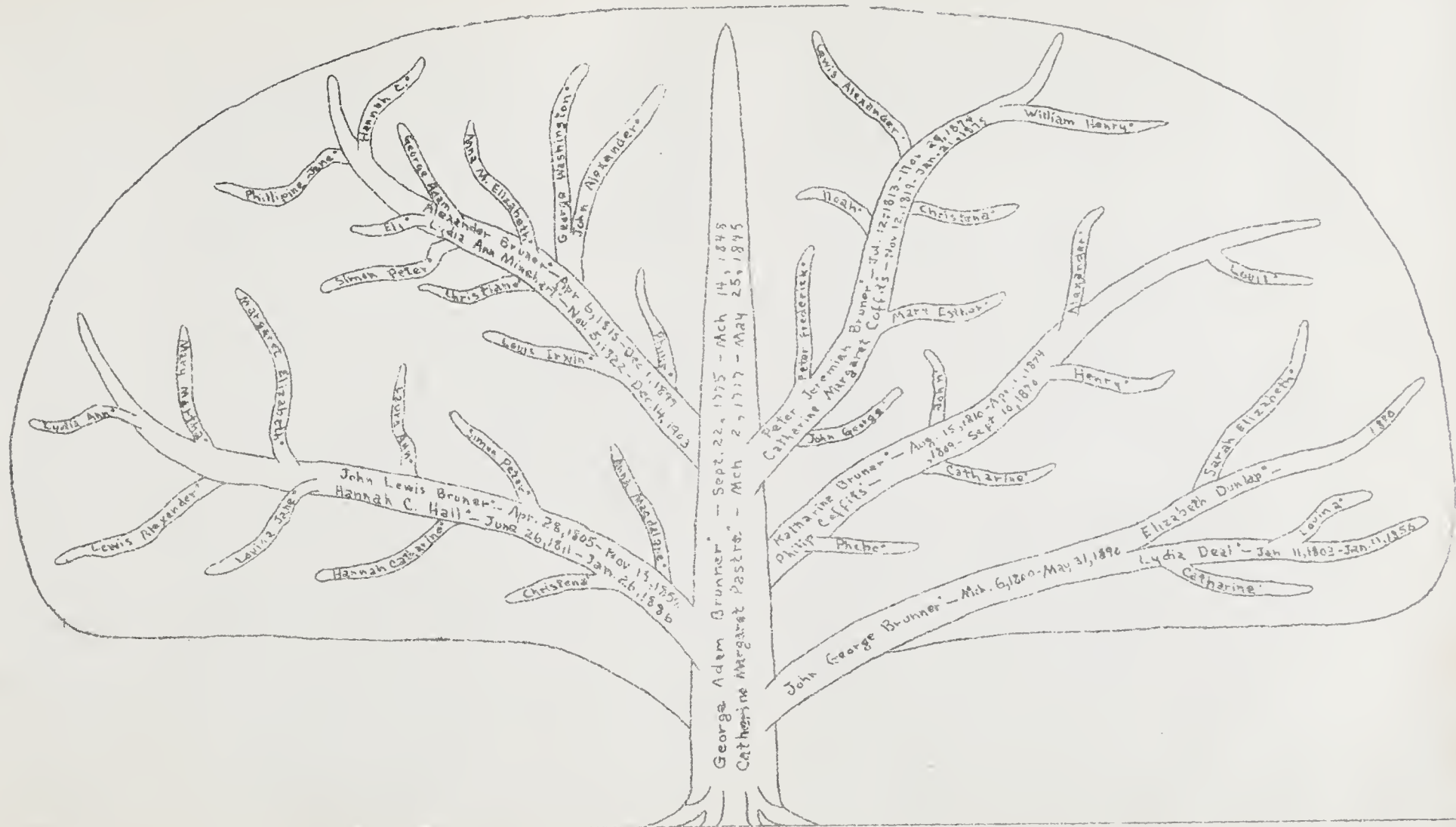
Genealogy is at once one of the most interesting and endless of subjects. It is interesting as is a cross word puzzle wherein one word may lead to the discovery of another; or as a mystery story wherein a slight clue may lead long on faint and devious trails before the solution is reached. In addition it frequently brings about stimulating friendships with new and interesting people. Genealogy is endless in that there are practically no limits to which the researcher can go. I know of a man who spent a lifetime and thousands of dollars in tracing his ancestry and family connections back to the third century. Ancestral records are usually extant and the threads of relationship are ready for the finding.

However, the average individual who attempts genealogical research is limited by both time and money. He must therefore set arbitrary limits on his work, selecting a definite family and attempting to make its history complete. Even here he is frequently limited by the extent of cooperation of the relatives. And this sometimes makes it necessary for the sake of uniformity to suppress in the finished work some of the information received.

Aside from the matter of brevity, mistakes are bound to occur in a work of this kind. In certain cases reliance must be placed upon memories which have reached their highest powers of fact presentation long since. However in the Bruner Family History I have made every reasonable effort to avoid error, and, in the face of conflict of opinion, have selected those facts which most closely follow the apparent logic of events. In the compilation I have interviewed at least one member of all of the thirty-seven grandchildren of George Adam Brunner raising families, either personally or through the medium of carefully worded questionnaires. In addition, an abundance of information has been supplied by European histories, county histories, old family Bibles, naturalization papers, obituaries, albums, newspaper clippings, and so on.

In conclusion I wish to thank the large number of relatives who have aided me in both writing the history and in tracing out the Bruner family connections. While it is perhaps unwise to mention any names without mentioning all, yet I feel that special credit should be given to Mr. Alva Witten for his financial backing in printing copies of the book, and to Mrs. Jane Bruner and Mr. Oscar Hart who supplied the major part of the information necessary for its compilation.

J. Hart Rosdail



THE BRUNNER FAMILY HISTORY

Far across the mighty Atlantic in the southern part of Germany lies the state of Wurtemberg, land of our forefathers. Its area of 7530 square miles may be classed roughly as one half hilly, one third mountainous, and the remainder plain. The climate temperate and abundant forests induce much rain, most of which falls in the summer. Rich meadowlands, cornfields, orchards, gardens, and hills covered with vines make it a peaceful, smiling country. Oats, spelt, rye, wheat, barley, hops, excellent wine, cattle, sheep and pigs bespeak its general prosperity. Wurtemberg, land of our forefathers.

On my bicycle trip through Europe, I made it a point to visit this country in order to see if there were any records extant of the Brunner family from which we are all descended. I instituted my search in the records at Maulbronn, recorded birthplace of Alexander Brunner, youngest son of George Adam Brunner (born Sept. 22, 1775) and Catherine Margaret Pastre (born Feb. 2, 1777). The Staathalter at Maulbronn unearthed evidence that the Brunner records might be found at the village of Müllacre. Here, however, I was sent to the nearby town of Dürmenz. Among the records here the earliest Brunner reference is:

"Hans Martin Brünner, son of Jacob Brunner, in Stauffenberg near Eichtenberg and with Margarete, daughter of Melchior Richlin in Grop-Clattbach, (a town south of Dürmenz. No books of this place at this date are extant) in 1655, 13 Febr. married in Dürmenz."

Since the Pfarrer of Dürmenz was forced to leave on a business trip of several days, and as I had neither the time nor the means to await his return, it was impossible to follow out the connection between George Adam and Hans Martin Brunner. In regard to Catherine Margaret Pastre ("o" is silent), Herr R. discovered that there were records of Pastres as early

as 1700 in the neighboring town of Gros Villar. The Pastres, he found, were a French family belonging to a Protestant sect of people exiled from the south of Europe by Catholics and known as the Vaudois (pronounced "Vo-dwa"). In order to get, therefore, at the very fountain-head of our blood beginnings, let us consider very briefly the fascinating story of the Vaudois.

One hundred and fifty miles to the southeast of Wurtemberg across the mighty, snow-clad summits of the Swiss Alps, lie the martyred valleys of Vaudois. They are located in Piedmont, in Italy, to the west and south of Turin, and deep in the mountains close to the French line. Indeed the most important Vaudois valley, that of Pragela (Pra-zhee-la) (in which the Brunner race is chiefly interested) belonged to Savoy, a part of France, until it passed to Italy in 1813. Here is a country rugged in the extreme, - a country where the majestic peaks of the Cottian Alps tower over dark abysses and wild, inaccessible mountain passes; where mountain rivers spring from high glacial fastnesses flow down to the plains of Piedmont.

As early as the twelfth century history records a religious people of French blood and Protestant faith in this region, who were given the name of their valleys - "Vaudois". Among other things the Vaudois believed in the absolute authority and inspiration of the Bible, Trinity in the Godhead, and above all, faith working by love. As Catholicism progressed through the years and "attired itself in new forms of worship..., the contrast daily became more striking between its pompous innovations and the ancient simplicity of the Vaudois. In order, therefore, to reduce them to the despotic unity of Rome, there were sent against them..." those fearful agents of high treachery known as the inquisitors. During the 14th to 17th centuries the Vaudois were almost continuously persecuted as heretics by the Catholic church. "History records no deeds of cruelty more

atrocious, no persecutions more terrible.¹ At one time 3000 Vaudois took refuge in a great cave on the side of a precipice 6000 feet high. At the mouth the soldiers of the Pope set a fire which suffocated all the occupants including 400 small children. In one instance 100 captives were slaughtered with a knife as pigs are slaughtered to-day. Sometimes numbers of Vaudois were burned at the stake en masse. Individual Vaudois were seized on the slightest pretext, one of the gravest of which was the distribution of Bibles. Such martyrs, both men and women, were tortured, sometimes by the most horrible barbarisms the minds of fanatical soldiery could conceive,--tortures and outrages so atrociously diabolical they paled into insignificance such relatively tame instruments of destruction as the strapado, the rack, and slow burning at the stake. Almost without exception these people died refusing with their last breath to renounce the religion of their fathers. "No history has more abounded in marvels than that of the Vaudois; no church in martyrs."¹⁸ Seven tenths of the sect died of hunger and disease in dungeons, where they were ordered thrown by the papal authorities.

Among the records of these persecutions there is an edict which is of great interest to Bruner descendants. It reads as follows:

"Arrêt de la cour du parlement du Dauphiné, portant defense á Claude Pastre de Ville-Close de Mentoules, en Pragela, et á tout autres de la religion, de faire aucune assemblee sous pretexte de prières, &c... Grenoble, 7th Decembre, 1679".²

And so these poor half-starved people were at last forced into exile during the years 1685-1687. On the way their children were frequently stolen from them to be brought up as Catholics. In one

instance the Vaudois were driven out at night in the dead of winter, and 150 half-clad martyrs perished. In another, 86 died in a violent snowstorm such as only the Alps can produce. On their arrival at Geneva, Switzerland, places were sought for them in that country and in Germany. Among the exiles from the valley of Pragela, deputies were sent to the elector of Brandenburg "to ask an asylum in his dominions." "These deputies were a pastor, James Papon, and two laymen," James (Jacques) Pastre and John Pastre-court, country merchants.³ Thus it would appear that some of the Pastres settled temporarily in Brandenburg.

Now while 2000 Vaudois from Pragela proceeded or followed their brethren from Piedmont into exile in order to secure free religious life following the infamous revocation of Edict of Nantes, the poorest were under the necessity of remaining. These were persecuted no less. "Even prayer and religious consolation of the sick were now made matters of accusation. 'Last autumn,' says a document of the period, 'the vicar-general of the provostship of Oulx' ⁴ gave information of a fact concerning John Challier of Fourrières, who was surprised in the act of making prayer, after the manner of the Protestants for one called Peter Pastre, who was afflicted at the time with a very dangerous malady.... This case demands an exemplary punishment.'"⁵

Some of the exiled Vaudois settled in Wurtemberg, but due to religious, political, and economic reasons they were not permitted to remain. These joined with other homesick Vaudois to effect "The Glorious Return" to their native valleys in the Alps in 1689. The story of this heroic expedition of 1000 Vaudois men is more interesting than fiction. Secrecy was necessary and they had to travel by night and in snow over almost unknown and inaccessible Alpine passes. Armed forces were overcome or avoided by

skirting the sides of precipitous gorges, which made the hair of even these hardy mountaineers stand on end when they beheld them by daylight. Once their valleys were conquered, the exiles in Germany and Switzerland wept tears of joy and returned at once to their beloved Vaudois Alps.

During succeeding years the Vaudois fought for Victor Amadeus of Savoy in his war with Louis IV of France. They distinguished themselves so valorously in battle that they were restored officially to their own rights; but under the treaty of peace concluding the war, the Duke of Savoy was forced to issue an edict which compelled all French refugees driven into his domain by the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, to leave within two months under pain of death. And so more than 3000 Vaudois again went into exile. However Victor Amadeus privately assured the native Vaudois of tranquillity. But the exile of so many of their number, including pastors, compelled the Vaudois church to hold an extraordinary synod at Bobi on Aug. 12, 1698. Captain Pastre and Joseph Domeaud were deputed by this Synod to go to Turin to petition the king to allow pastors to be brought for a time from Switzerland to succeed the French ministers.⁷

But war again broke out between Savoy and France and in 1713 under the treaty of Utrecht, Pragola became part of Piedmont under the Duke of Savoy. Finally in 1730, Victor Amadeus becoming old and bigoted, bent himself to the influence of Rome and in spite of the friendly intercession of Frederic William of Prussia, ordered all Vaudois from the country. Amongst those expropriated from Pragola were "...Jacob Ferron, the author of the memoirs which I have so often quoted.... and the Ronchail family,...—also the grave and mild old man who was accustomed to conduct religious exercises at Les Traverses in the absence of the pastor, and whose wife became the mother of a third child on her way into exile."⁸ "The name of this worthy elder.

... was John Pastre; his brother Thomas was accompanied by his wife and six children".⁹ Some of the Vaudois exiles set out for Holland; others remained in Switzerland, or passed into Germany. It would not seem illogical to assume that John and Thomas Pastre joined their relatives in Wurtemberg.

Among the more than 3000 Vaudois mentioned above who were exiled into Switzerland for the winter of 1698, three Vaudois deputies were chosen to go to Wurtemberg to obtain a fixed residence there. Switzerland would not consent to keep them except for the winter, due to the bad harvest of the year and general over population. These deputies included Henry Arnaud for the refugees and Vaudois of the valley of Lucerna, James Pastre for those of Pragola, and Stephen Muret for those of Perouse and St. Martin.¹⁰ The Duke of Wurtemberg was favorably disposed toward the poor Vaudois and with the intercession and financial aid of England, Holland, and the other states of Germany, the Vaudois were admitted for colonization. About 300 families went to the district of Maulbronn, where they preferred to found closely situated villages rather than become widely scattered. The most considerable of these little colonies was that of Gros Villar, named after Villar Pinache in a Vaudois valley near Pragola.

The trials and hopes of these colonies during succeeding years is a story both pathetic and inspiring. During the first part of the 18th century, as we have noted, more exiles came from the Vaudois valleys of Italy. These emigrants settled in Maulbronn, Heilbronn, and adjacent districts. All continued through the balance of the century to maintain their old traditions, forms of worship, and language, — the peculiar French patois of the valleys. This self-preservation of sect-traditions was due largely to the care which they took to contract marriages only among themselves. However shortly after 1800 and especially after 1821, they were gradually assimilated, usually against their will, by

the Lutheran church, the German language, and the German people. The story of this assimilation as given by Muston is a pathetic but inevitable one. It embodies another reference to the name Pastre as it is stated that in 1834 the schoolmaster of Rorbach in Hesse-Darmstadt whose name was Pastre, still knew a little of the patios of the Vaudois valleys.¹¹ But as late as the 1840's, both Monastier¹² and Muston speak of the swarthy complexions, keen eyes, black hair, and features less expanded, generally forming "the characteristics by which these inheritors of a warmer blood, still telling of a southern sun, may, for a long time, be recognized in the midst of a German population." Although many of the Bruners living in America today are more like the blond, Teutonic type, I am reminded of an Ohio cousin¹³ who writes: "Everyone says they can tell we are Bruners; all dark hair and dark eyes." Perhaps even at this distant date more of the martyred blood of the Vaudois flows through our veins than we think.

Thus ends a very brief resume of the story of the Vaudois, about whom enough volumes have been written to fill a large library. Among these books the descendant might do well to read the authentic and highly engrossing two-volume work entitled "The Israel of the Alps" by Muston, from which this summary is condensed. We should caution ourselves in reading this history against assuming, *prima facie*, that the Claude, James, John, and other Pastres mentioned above are direct ancestors of our common grandmother, Catherine Margaret Pastre Brunner. It is quite possible that they were; yet they may have been great-uncles or cousins. It is my belief that the exact relationship could be traced in the records of the Vaudois villages, but since my written request to the Pfarrer for information regarding the Bruners of Maulbronn went unanswered, he probably assumes, and justly so, that he should be paid for his trouble. Should any descendant be in-

terested I would be glad to cooperate with them in promoting further research. But until then it is at present sufficient for us to know that we do descend from these people, the Vaudois; and to know that our ancestral family, the Pastre family, was probably both large and influential. For in a book such as that of Muston, which is a history only, rather than a document of facts, we find mention of the name Pastre no less than nine times; and we note that a Pastre was chosen at one time as one of three representatives out of 3000 people.

Now let us consider in a word the larger political aspects of Wurtemberg which led to our forefathers coming to America. In 1800, at the time of the birth of John George Brunner, Frederick II ruled the Kingdom of Wurtemberg. In 1809 he joined Napoleon, greatest of military geniuses, in his campaigns against Prussia, Austria, and Russia. In 1815 Wurtemberg joined the German Confederation. In 1819 William I granted a new constitution and four years later his son, Charles I, succeeded him as ruler of the kingdom. During these years and those following, the people were in revolt over such questions as the joining of states into a union and the desire for a liberal constitution. There was suppression of speech and press and considerable persecution. And it was to avoid this revolution that our forefathers came to America.

Now the children of George Adam Brunner and Catherine Margaret Pastre Brunner, with their places of birth as recorded in the United States, are as follows: John George Brunner, born in Germany Nov. 6, 1800; John Lewis Bruner, born April 28, 1805, in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg;¹⁴ Katharine Bruner, born Aug. 15, 1810, in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg; Peter Jeremiah Bruner, born Jan. 12, 1813 in Wurtemberg; and Alexander Bruner, born Apr. 6, 1818 at Maulbronn, Wurtemberg.¹⁵ I found no record of the latter birth at Maulbronn but it is quite probable that the name comes down to us simply because it was the largest town in the district. And in view of

County, Ohio, in the latter part of 1831. In 1832 he married Hannah C. Hall, a native of Pennsylvania. She was born of German parents²⁵ on June 26, 1811, one of a family of eight sisters and eight brothers.²⁶ By trade John Lewis Bruner "was a shoemaker and he divided his attention between that occupation and farming. Selling his property in Ohio in 1851 he came with his family (then consisting of seven girls and two boys) to Linn County, Iowa, making the trip overland in a wagon and arriving here in May of that year. They found this country but sparsely settled and wild game was abundant. Two brothers helped to move the family and on reaching Iowa sold their teams and returned to Ohio by water. The father bought two hundred acres of land in Buffalo Township and entered one hundred and twenty acres from the Government. This he placed under cultivation and at the time of his death ... had a nicely improved farm. The large double log house was located in Section 9 on the first place south of the Storey Bridge on the right-hand side of the road. In those early days he did his marketing either in Dubuque or Muscatine."²⁷ He must have been a superstitious old gentleman as he had a fire charm in which he had great faith.²⁸ This charm was in the form of the following acrostic²⁸ which he used to put out a fire:

ROTAS
OMERA
TESET
AREEO
SATOR

While splitting rails he became overheated one time and developed a severe cold. This settled on his lungs and turned into what was then called consumption. He died Nov. 15, 1858, at the age of 53 years, 6 months, and 17 days. He is buried in Boulder Cemetery.

Hannah C. Hall Bruner,²⁹ his wife, perhaps shared her husband's superstitions, although "both were earnest and consistent members of the Reformed Church."³⁰ She

believed in ghosts and used to scare her grandchildren almost to death with her hair-raising tales. She was a very large, kind woman who never knew her birthday although she was fairly sure as to the year of her birth. After her husband's death the farm was divided among the heirs and she continued to remain on the old homestead. She often visited her children and helped them care for their families. Her daughter Christena Bruner Minehart died with consumption (as did several of her sisters) in 1868 and she went to live in her home and take care of the children. In 1878 we find her in the home of her youngest daughter, Lydia Ann Bruner Bond, in Maine Township east of Central City. Here she died on January 26, 1886, at the age of 75 of "sickness of old age."³¹ At that date the number of grandchildren was 119, 48 of whom were great-grandchildren.³¹ She was buried in Boulder Cemetery.

Some account shall here be given of the children of John Lewis Bruner and Hannah C. Hall, most of whom were pioneers in their own right. Anna Magdalene Bruner married Daniel Smith, nephew of Jonathan Smith, Sr.³² They lived in the large stone house southwest of the Boulder Schoolhouse. Christena Bruner married George Washington Minehart, brother-in-law of her Uncle Alexander Bruner. For the interesting story of George Washington Minehart's trip to California in the gold rush the reader or descendant is referred to "The Minehart Family History." The couple were married June 27, 1856, and took up residence on 200 acres purchased with California gold in Section 22 Buffalo Township, Linn County, Iowa. They went to Chicago a visit shortly after their marriage. The trip was made in a lynchpin wagon which George made himself and which was afterwards sold to John Birk. After the birth of the three oldest children Matt Finn was hired to build a large frame house to replace the log cabin. For his services Mr. Finn received forty acres of land.

The third child, Simon Peter Bruner married, on Sept. 10, 1861, a Bohemian girl, Catharine Walants. They adopted a niece of Katy's.⁵⁵ They settled on Section 9, Buffalo Township, but in 1878 moved to Section 10. The fourth child, Hannah Catharine Bruner, married William Roloson (Bill) Mitten. The story goes that Bill lived around Scranton, Pennsylvania. He had brothers in Illinois and around Manchester, Iowa, so he and a cousin decided to go west. From Illinois they came to Anamosa, Iowa, in order to go to Turkey Timber, which was the name of Manchester at that time. They walked through a foot of snow up the famous ridge road. They found a little log hut to stay in but the woman said, "We have no room but you can have something to eat". Just then the husband came in with a deer on his shoulder. He confirmed her statement but directed them to a big double log house on the bottoms of the Buffalo. Here they found lots of young people, --- eight girls and two boys. After supper they all played games. Bill's cousin joked with him about the girls, "Good looking girls," he said, "I have one picked out and I am coming back." The two travelers got up early the next morning, said goodbye, and went on to Turkey Timber. Later they went to Kingston (now known as Cedar Rapids). Bill found work at Hunters Corners (now called Louisa) located on the main line of the Milwaukee. He later drifted back over on the Buffalo and married Hannah Catharine Bruner, one of the "good-looking girls." And the woman who had said "no room" later became Bill's second wife. Her full name was then Jane Franks Schoonover Mitten and she was the mother of Mrs. Isaac Jonathan Bickel.⁵⁴

William Roloson Mitten and his wife, Hannah Catharine Bruner, went to Nebraska in 1868. The following story is contributed by Mary Elizabeth Mitten Rothwell of Seligman, Arizona, the oldest child:

"The only thing of interest that I remember is my parents moving from Iowa to Nebraska in a covered wagon. It was in 1868 that we left Linn County, Iowa, with teams and covered wagon. I think we traveled three days when we joined eleven other wagons all going to Nebraska, which they all thought was a land of plenty. We were three weeks on the trip making the trip. Part of the time we traveled in rain. We would travel all week until Saturday noon, then find a good camp and stay until Monday morning. That gave the teams a rest and the mothers a chance to do the washing and extra cooking for their families. We all stopped in Nebraska, in Gage County. Here seven of the party took up homesteads within visiting distance of each other.

"About a week before we arrived we had a real Indian scare. It was one Sunday while in camp when two boys of the party came running in saying a band of Indians were coming. The women and children had barely time to get into the wagons before the Indians were there. About twenty-five circled the camp. Then the big chief rode up and spoke to my father and uncle, the spokesman of the camp, asking where they were going. My father answered that we were going a long way to find homes. The chief said, speaking pretty good English, that they were moving camp with their friends in the little town ahead. Then the Indians looked over the camp, especially the horses, which they said were pretty good. They asked how many children there were and said we had pretty good families. Then they started off riding single file to the little town about half a mile from camp. The two boys who first saw them followed them there and saw them shaking hands with the merchant, so they came back and told us they must be friendly Indians. Still the men were afraid of losing their teams and they stood guard all that night. Nothing happened and the next day we learned that they were a harmless tribe moving their camp as they had said.

"We settled in Gage County as I have said and our first summer we spent in a tent put up near a creek at the home of Chris Fuller. My father put in a small garden and planted corn, and then started to build a place for his family. It was what they called in those days a dug-out, being two rooms dug in the side of a hill. Ours was covered with shingles however instead of dirt as most of them were. It was fixed up quite comfortably and here we lived for nearly four years.

"Our first year we had very little to eat except wild game and cornbread since the garden all died for want of rain. But still we managed to get through with what work my father got to do at odd times; and the next year we had cows, pigs, and chickens and raised plenty of everything. The next year when the crops were looking fine the grasshoppers came. They lit at noon one day and by night the next day there was nothing left but the thick parts of the cornstalks. The root crops were not ripe enough to gather when the grasshoppers ate the tops off, so they all died. It was too late to plant more and that was another hard year.

"In the fall of 1868 my grandmother, Hannah Hall Bruner and her future son-in-law, Thomas C. Bond, came out to visit us. However Grandmother was called back to Iowa by the death of her daughter Christena, Oct. 26.

"It was in November of 1868 that my Uncle Lewis Bruner and his sister Martha came to Nebraska. While with us my Uncle Lewis joined a party of men and went buffalo-hunting. He killed one and brought it home. It was certainly fine. We dried the heavy meat and salted down the bony parts and so we had meat until summer. Mary Martha Bruner married Andrew Fuller,³⁵ who was working for us, and lived neighbors to us.³⁶ Uncle Lewis then married a Miss Jane Harding He also settled on a homestead near us. Then

in 1872 we moved back to Iowa on account of my mother's health and on April 14, 1873 she passed away and our home was broken up."

The family returned by train, arriving in Linn Co., Iowa, on Oct. 30, 1872. Their first night was spent on the John Birk place. Hannah Catharine Bruner Mittan died in the large stone house of Daniel Smith, her brother-in-law. William Roloson Mittan remarried one, Jane Franks Schoonover, mother of Mrs Isaac Jonathan Bickel.³⁷ They settled on Jane's place on the bottoms of the Buffalo but later lived on the Isaac Bickel Farm. Bill Mittan died Oct. 1, 1914, at the age of 83 years, 2 months and 1 day.

Laura Ann Bruner, the fifth child of John Lewis and Hannah C. Hall Bruner, married William Shoemaker Sr. He was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, the son of one, Jake Shoemaker.³⁸ After the death of Laura Ann (aged 42 years, 8 months, and 8 days), William returned to Ohio and married Melissa Ebright. He died and was cremated there.

Lovina Jane Bruner, the sixth child, married Marcus Aurelius Hart, son of George Hart and Caroline Lowry. He was born in Ohio, coming to Linn County with his parents in 1846. For the details of this interesting trip the reader or descendant is referred to "The Hart Family History." Marc and Lovina Hart farmed the paternal place in Buffalo Township, now known as the Jake Birk place. Marc died Oct. 12, 1890, and was buried in Perkins Cemetery, Buffalo Township. Lovina Jane then married on Dec. 24, 1891, John Russel Campbell, who was born in Mexico, Oswego County, New York, May 23, 1836, and had been previously married to one, Olive Melissa Magee, deceased. Lovina Jane Bruner Hart and her husband then went to Sinton, Texas, to live near Lovina's youngest daughter. John Russel Campbell died there and was brought back to Springville Cemetery and buried with his first wife. Lov-

ina then went to Sioux City, Iowa, near one of her sons; and died there, June 13, 1922. She was brought back and buried in Wilcox Cemetery, Viola, Iowa.

Margaret Elizabeth Bruner, the seventh child, married David Faler. Of all the Bruner families the compiler found this one the hardest to trace, and it was four years before the last branch was finally located. David Faler was born in Ohio of German ancestry and he and his wife were first cousins. He came to Iowa during the Civil War, married Margaret Elizabeth, and they returned to Ohio. Their first four children were born there, presumably in Logan County, during the period Jan. 12, 1865, to Feb. 28, 1870 inclusive. Feb. 17, 1874, the fifth child was born in the state of Kansas, presumably near Cedar Vale in the western part of Chatauqua County, and only a few miles from the Oklahoma boundary. The sixth and seventh children, the latter born April 10, 1877, were also born near Cedar Vale. Within the next year Dave and his brother-in-law, Lewis Alexander Bruner (See below), traded farms. They swapped "sight-unseen." Dave had 80 acres in Chatauqua County while Lewis had 160 acres in Gage County, Nebraska, with a \$500 mortgage. The latter land was located 8 miles east of Beatrice on a little stream called Mud Creek and about as close to the Kansas line as Dave was to the Oklahoma line. Hence we find record of the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th children as being born not in Kansas, but in Nebraska. Margaret Elizabeth was called back to Iowa by the death of her mother, Jan. 26, 1886. She took her baby "Bella." Margaret Elizabeth died Sept 27, 1887, about nine months after the birth of her last child, and is buried in Starks Cemetery, Amesville, Gage County, Nebraska. David died in Latáh, Washington, and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery there. With one exception³⁹ this family represents the largest number of children born to any one mother in the history of the Bruners. The children and their descendants are widely scattered throughout the West as an examination of the address section of this book will show.

Lewis Alexander Bruner, eighth child of John Lewis and Hennah C. Hall Bruner, had one of the most interesting and adventurous lives of any Bruner descendant in America. When still in his teens he went to Gage County, Nebraska, accompanied by his sister Mary Martha. In a letter to Mr. E. E. Correll, Publisher, Hebron, Thayer County, Nebraska, Lewis Bruner writes as follows:

"I enlisted at Beatrice, Nebraska in Co. A., First Nebr. Militia, in the summer of 1869 and bought two saddle horses. I rode one and Billy Hobbs the other one. I served five months and was discharged Oct. 31st.

"The next year I traded my state pay, my two horses, and thirteen acres of breaking to Mr. Talmadge for a team, wagon, and harness and began to break land on 'Big Sandy' (Thayer County) where the town of Carleton, Nebr. now stands. There was a herd of buffalo went over the breaking one day while I was at work.

"The next day after I finished my breaking I went to Fairbury (Jefferson County) to secure a marriage license for Zerelda Jane Harding and myself. Mr. Riburn issued the license and in a few days we were married by Elder Jacob Hendershot. We think that was the first wedding that far up on the Little Blue river. It was June 30th, 1870.

"We then moved to our homestead near Beatrice, 8 miles east on Mud Creek (Nebraska) where we lived a number of years. We celebrated our Golden Wedding Anniversary the 30th of June, 1920, our six children, two boys and four girls, being present. (at Asotin, Wash.,).

"I, too, remember the Rose Creek Flood and water spout. I was sent over there with a squad of the company to help take care of the sick and to bury the stock that had been drowned. The water had been 30 ft. deep all over the valley. There was one who died of fever while we were there and we assisted at his funeral. I have forgotten his name.

"I was promoted to Second Duty Sergeant in a few days after I joined the Company so I was in charge of the squad to Rose Creek. I think E.M. Correll was First Duty Sergeant.

"I would like to know if John W. Hughes who constructed so many buildings got the writer to drive five head of steers from Sterling, east of Beatrice, to Farrell Ranch on Big Sandy. That was some job!! Twenty-five miles from Cub Creek to Little Sandy on a hot day without a drop of water. But I got there just the same.

"I suppose some of the old settlers still remember some of the Co. A boys. There is one in particular I will mention, Jack Marion. The Lieutenant sent Marion and another man out to hunt up a bunch of cattle. They came back about noon without them, and were sent again with the orders to not return without the cattle. Marion borrowed Orderly Sergeant Talmadge's saddle and that was the last they were heard of until after the company was discharged, when they returned, were discharged, and drew their pay. I have been told Marion lived south of Blue Springs and in the Fall of '69 murdered his wife's cousin near Steel City. When he reached home his wife accused him of killing her cousin and told him if he had done the deed to leave and never come back. He left the next day and the officers followed him to Topeka, Kansas, where they lost track of him. About 15 years later, or in 1884, I lived in Chautauqua County, Kansas, and was in the County seat, as a juror. I knew there was a man in the County jail by the name of Marion so I asked the Sheriff to let me see him. I watched while he passed the prisoner his breakfast through the window. Marion came rushing over and when he caught sight of me, eyed me for a minute and went on to eating. I said, 'Hello Jack, is the Sheriff feeding you as Captain John R. Brown did on the Little Blue?' He said, 'I don't know anything about Brown.' I returned, 'So you are not the boy who used to milk the widow's cow early in the morning before the lady was up?' He said, 'No, but it was a job on the widow.' I told him

the big scar on his right cheek gave him away. He pled guilty of stealing a wagon from an Indian, was sentenced, reprieved, and taken to Beatrice where he was tried, convicted of murder, and hung. The Sheriff told me the reward had been taken off so we didn't receive anything -- at least I didn't.

"Mr. Editor, I have often wondered if the members of Co. A were of any benefit to Thayer County. ... In April 1920, there was a pension claim agent came from Seattle to see me about my claim. He said the government was not satisfied turning us down as it did without more evidence so I was sworn in and he took down my evidence on a typewriter. He was busy three fourths of a day and I had to describe everything that we did but his main quest was to find out how much scouting we did over the Kansas and Nebraska line. He asked me how far south of the Republican River we were. I knew that we were to White Rock and he said that was in Kansas. He asked me how many times we were that far and I said "Possibly three times." He claimed our trouble was, that while we had done lots of work, it had nearly all been in Nebraska and Nebraska had not made provisions to pay their militia as had Kansas."

Zerelda Jane Harding, wife of Lewis Alexander Bruner, was one of four children born to W.T. Harding and Sarah E. Monroe. She writes the following story of Indian, prairie fires, and other thrilling pioneer experiences in the days when our ancestors were taming Southeastern Nebraska.

"It was in the year 1869, that father and family moved from Iowa to Nebraska. We had two covered wagons, and two horses hitched to them; we had three cows tied behind one of them. We were three or four weeks on the road; our destination was the Farrol ranch on the Little Blue River, where we left our two cows, as the other one became sick and foot-sore and we had to leave her behind.

"We drove across the river to where the town of Hobart now stands, but there was not then a house in sight. But

we found a company of soldiers stationed there, -- they said they were there to guard the settlers from the Indians. Some time before the Indians had made a raid and drove off the stock and killed one man who resisted them.

"When dinner was over, which was cooked on a camp fire, we hitched up and drove to a little stream called Spring Creek, about a mile from camp, and stopped at Mr. Kingsley's; he said we could camp there until father could locate a claim. They were glad to have people settle close by, on account of having school and church. There were twenty-five or thirty families already there in that neighborhood, their dwellings were all dugouts or sod-houses, as that was a prairie country and no lumber for immediate use.

"I think it was the first of September when we arrived at our destination, and the first thing that had to be done was to put up hay for the stock. One of the neighbors had a mower and rake, which father borrowed. Some of the neighbors volunteered their help, and they soon had several large stacks of hay put up. In our family were father, mother and an older brother, myself, two younger sisters, and a baby brother, three years old."

"Father and my brother located their claims and went right to work to build a dugout on my brother's claim first, as there was a spring or water-pool on it. After they had a room large enough for a kitchen, we moved over. It was about two miles from the settlement. We put up the bedstead, stove, and table in the dugout, then we took the top boxes with bows and covers from off the wagons and set them on the ground; then with a liberal supply of fresh hay for mattresses we proceeded to make down our beds and stow away things we did not have room for in the dugout. Father went right to work to enlarging our room, and when it was done we had a large, roomy room with a stove in one end and a fireplace in the other.

"I will tell you about a prairie fire we had before

we moved into our dugout. We had a fire guard all around our place, which was made by plowing a few furrows and then in a row or so, a few more furrows, and then burning the grass between. We felt pretty safe from fires, but one day the wind had been blowing a gale from the south, and as evening came on we could see the flames. It came on like a hurricane; it jumped our fire-guard and was upon us before we could think what to do. My brother turned loose the stock that was tied to the hitching rack. The main fire passed and the grass where we had been working was tramped down, and the fire did not burn so fiercely. We went to work to put out the flames. Our wagon covers caught fire and some of our bedding burned before the fire was put out. There was one feather bed and two pillows and other things burned. Feathers scattered for miles over the prairie. The next morning my brother went to look for the stock. The fire had passed the cows, but the horses kept ahead of the fire and went to the settlement where the plowed fields stopped the fire. It burned all our hay.

"By that time the frost had killed all the grass and we had to cut that frost-bitten stuff for the stock. I want to tell you what kind of grass we had in that part of Nebraska. It was called blue-stem; when it went to seed the seed stems would shoot up four or five feet high; it was jointed like rye-grass that grows here in the valleys (i.e. in Idaho and Washington). You can imagine a fire sweeping through the country in that tall grass; it would burn off at the bottom and the wind would carry it for rods.

"I will tell you about an Indian scare we had that fall. After father had finished his building, he took one of our teams and wagons and went to Beatrice to get supplies for the winter. It was about seventy miles distance. There was a store fifteen miles away, but they did not carry all kinds of supplies. It took him several days to make the trip. One evening one of our neighbors came and told us there were rumors that the

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Indians were going to make a raid. He said we had better come to the settlement, which we did. My brother hitched the horses to the wagon and drove over to Mr. Corroll's, where the neighbors were gathered.

"The men drove the wagons in a circle near the stable and tied the horses inside the enclosure. They took their guns and ammunition and watched there through the night. The women were in the dugout. They brought in the ax and hoe, -- they did not know but what they might be needed. There was no sleep; we watched all night, and at the peep of day we looked across the prairie and saw something moving. As it became lighter, we could see it was 'horsebackers'; they seemed to separate and go in different directions as if they were going to different homes. One of our men got on a horse and rode in that direction as far as the creek about a half a mile distant. He came racing back and said: 'Isn't that a pretty set of red devils?' Well, we were scared and sure thought we were in for a fight. We kept watching the outfit. Pretty soon the sun came up. What do you think we saw? Not the red devils, but the shining blue uniforms of a company of regular soldiers. They had heard of the intended raid and rode to see if the Indians had come. The captain and several of the officers took breakfast with us. It was surely a relief after an awful night of suspense. This happened after Captain Brown's company was discharged and went away.

"That was the last we heard of the Indians, but the next spring Mr. Hendershot and brother-in-law had been plowing sod. They turned their horses loose to graze while they ate their dinner. Pretty soon they looked out and saw an Indian or white man driving off their horses. They ran out and kept shooting at him, but he got away with the horses. There were eleven horses stolen from that neighborhood. They thought it was done by whitemen who 'layed it on' the Indians.

"The next spring, in 1870, Mrs. Rawson built the first frame house south of the river. Each Sunday we went there to Sunday School and church, which was held there in her house.

"On June 30th of that year I was married to L. A. Bruner, one of the soldiers whom I met, stationed at Ft. Butler (near Hebron) to guard the settlers from the Indians. Our wedding was the first that far up the Little Blue River."

Lewis Alexander and Zerelda Jane Harding Bruner, as told above, settled in Gage County, Nebraska, eight miles east of Benrice on Mud Creek. Here the first three children were born. Between April 10, 1877 and April 15, 1878 Lewis Alexander and his brother-in-law, David Faler, traded farms (see page 10) and so the fourth and fifth children were born in Chautauqua County, Kansas. From here the family moved to Woodson County, Kansas, where the sixth child was born Jan. 4, 1884. From here they came back to Iowa for a visit, and then, having sold their property in Kansas, migrated to Idaho County, north central Idaho, where the seventh and last child was born Jan. 24, 1889. They homesteaded near Cottonwood, a town not far from Grangeville. After living here a number of years, the father and mother retired across the Snake River to Asotin, Washington.

Uncle Lewis and Aunt Jane had a host of relatives and friends in many parts of the country. They were always respected and admired and were hospitable and well-read. Uncle Lewis' pioneering articles and Aunt Jane's poems appeared in several newspapers. In later years several of their nieces and nephews from Iowa, including the compiler, a great-grand-nephew, went to the great Northwest to visit them. Uncle Lewis died July 16, 1929, at the age of 80 years, 9 months, and 19 days. I picture him always with his tall stature, ruddy complexion, white beard, and broad, black sombrero. --

the typical western pioneer. Aunt Jane is still living in Asotin, Washington, at the age of 84. The number of Bruner nieces and nephews is 356, -- fully half of all the Bruner descendants living today. Of these, 33 are privileged to address her as great-great-great-aunt. In addition Aunt Jane has six children, 28 grandchildren, and 49 great-grandchildren.

Mary Martha, the ninth child of John Lewis and Hannah C. Hall Bruner, went to Nebraska with Lewis Alexander, her brother, as related above. ⁴² She kept house for him for a time. During the period Oct. 18, 1869 to Sept. 1, 1870, she married Andrew Emery Fuller and the couple lived neighbors to Lewis Alexander Bruner and to Will Mittans. They also lived in a dugout. Rattlesnakes nested on the roof and sometimes fell through inside. Mary Martha killed one one time and coiled it on the stop in order to scare Andrew, who didn't care much about snakes. In the fall of 1872 they returned to Buffalo Township, Linn County, Iowa. The winter was spent in the home of George Washington Minehart and his mother-in-law, Hannah C. Hall Bruner. Here the second child was born. The Fullers lived on several farms, among them being the place northwest of the rock after which Boulder Township was named. It was here that Andrew fought a serious attack of pneumonia one winter as a result of over-exertion in chasing an obstreperous hog. They also lived on the Lem Hunt place east of the town of Springville in Brown Township; and on a place east of Viola. They finally bought eighty acres of their sister-in-law, Catharine Walanta Bruner ⁴³, located one half mile east of Will Shoemaker Sr.'s. ⁴⁴ on the Boulder Cemetery road. Andrew had a team of spirited sorrel horses to which he usually gave free rein and as a result, sped over the roads at a great rate. He would let them drink whether overheated or not, much to the worry of the neighbors, especially brother-in-law Will. The latter would offer them hay. His theory was that if they refused, they were too hot to drink.

Mary Martha Bruner died of consumption in 1889 on Oct. 18, her husband's birthday. She was aged 39 years, 2 months, and 17 days. Andrew Emery Fuller was a member of Company K, 75th Illinois Volunteer Infantry and served in the Civil War. He died at the home of his son, George Henry, in Central City, July 22, 1922, aged 81 years, 9 months, and 4 days. In the Fuller family there were three boys and three girls. Two brothers married two sisters, two sisters married two brothers, and the other brother and sister married a brother and sister.

Lydia Ann, tenth and last child of John Lewis Bruner, was the only one born in Iowa. She married Thomas C. Bond, a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Massachusetts, one of thirteen children born to Mr. and Mrs. James Bond. Tom Bond was to have married Ametia Jane Smith, a niece of Lydia Ann, but she died on the date of her proposed marriage, July 7, 1870. Tom and Lydia Ann Bruner Bond lived in Laine Township one and a half miles east of Central City. Lydia Ann died of consumption Mar. 4, 1882, at the age of 29 years, 1 month and 2 days. There were no children. Tom Bond remarried twice. His third wife was Mrs. Lucilla Johnson. He is buried at Central City. All of the ten Lewis Bruner children and their husbands or wives, as the case may be, are buried in Boulder Cemetery, Buffalo Township, Linn County, Iowa, except where otherwise indicated.

Katherine Bruner, third child of George Adam and Catherine Margaret Pastre Bruner married Philip Coffits. Philip Coffits was born in Germany, probably in the kingdom of Bavaria. He was a brother of Catharine Margaret Coffits Bruner, wife of Peter Jeremiah Bruner, brother of his own wife, Katharine Bruner Coffits. Phoebe, eldest child of Philip and Katharine, was born July 19, 1836, in Fairfield Co., Ohio. The second child, Catharine, and third child, John, were also born in Fairfield County. In the early year of 1844 the family came to Boulder Township, Linn County, Iowa. Their farm was about a mile southwest of the Boulder Schoolhouse. ⁴⁵

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Phebe Coffits, the oldest child, married Philip Minehart Jr., youngest of seven children of Philip Minehart Sr. and Christene Fenstermaker. The reader or descendant is again referred to "The Minehart Family History." Philip Minehart Jr. was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, Jan. 7, 1840. In 1855 he came to this country with his Uncle Jonathan Smith,⁴⁶ who settled on Section 6, Buffalo Township. After marriage Phebe and her husband settled on Section 1 in Maine Township, about one and one-half miles southeast of Central City. She died July 31, 1870, aged 30 years and 12 days, and was buried in Boulder Cemetery. Philip later married Abbie Brunson and went to Knox County, Northeastern Nebraska, and took up a homestead. He died there but was brought back and buried in Boulder Cemetery.

Catharine Coffits, second child of Philip Coffit and Katharine Bruner, married James Slife, brother of John Slife, wife of John Minehart.⁴⁷ James was one of the children born to Daniel and Eva (Millen) Slife, natives of Maryland and Pennsylvania respectively. After marriage his parents had settled in Fairfield County, Ohio, and they came to this state in 1846, and settled in Jones County, then removing to Jones County, and in 1850 came to Boulder Township,⁴⁸ Linn County. Catharine died Feb. 24, 1877, and was buried at Olin in Jones County, Iowa. James Slife remarried first Mary Ellen Newell, and then, Sarah Hall, daughter of Mary Elizabeth Minehart Fenstermaker Brown.⁴⁹ He was a Civil War Veteran being a member of the 24th Iowa Volunteer Infantry. He is buried in Boulder Cemetery.

John Coffits, third child of Philip and Katharine Bruner Coffits, married on Jan. 30, 1866 Catharine Birk, sister of Agnes, Susie, and John E. Birk, whose names appear elsewhere in this book. Catharine, daughter of "Grandpa" Erhard Birk, was born at Waupacotta, Ohio, Jan. 16, 1844, and came to Iowa with her parents. They lived for a time near Prairieburg. After her marriage to John Coffits she lived with him on his father's farm in Section 6

in Buffalo Township about one mile southwest of the Boulder Schoolhouse. John was something of an inventor, inventing among other things a reversible farm gate. Catharine died Nov. 10, 1908 (buried in Boulder) and on Jan. 1, 1913 John remarried Susan Margaret Ristine Ryerly at Central Point, Oregon. He died Oct. 19, 1931, in Minneapolis and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery.

Henry Coffits, the fourth child, died unmarried at the age of twenty-two and is buried in Boulder. Alexander, the fifth child, married on Oct. 15, 1871, Amelia Frasinger, daughter of a hotel proprietor in Marion, Linn County, Iowa. They settled in Otter Creek Township, at a place called Dry Creek. In 1880 they moved to Garrie, Webster Co., Iowa, by team and wagon. Here they bought 80 acres of land, on which they built a house 11x20 ft. and a straw barn. In 1889 they purchased another 80 acres and erected new buildings, which, when roads were laid out, were 80 rods from the highway. In 1897 they sold out and bought a farm near Fulda, Southwestern Minnesota. For a time it seemed that this would be a lost branch of the Bruner family and the compiler's discovery of a clue was almost accidental. Descendants now spell their name "Coffitt". Both Alexander and Amelia are buried at Fulda.

Lewis Coffits, sixth and last child of Philip and Katharine Bruner Coffits, married Nancy Schenower.⁵⁰ It is said that Nancy's parents had each been married previously and had families of their own. The names Sanford (Sanders, Sanvers) and Ward were involved. They went to McCook, Red Willow County, Nebraska. Lewis had been acquainted with Nancy here in Iowa and so also went to Nebraska and they were married there. Later they came back to Linn County, Iowa, and lived on the Philip Minehart place in Maine Township. No children were born, however. Both were buried in Boulder Cemetery, Buffalo Township.

Philip Coffits was a large fleshy man who died of apoplexy Sept. 10, 1870 at the age of 61. He was buried in

Boulder. Katharine lived almost four years longer. She maintained a warm friendship for an old German lady named Gottlieben Goppie. The latter came to America with Katharine's mother, Sigmund, mother of Herman Sigmund, Central City, Iowa, and took care of her. Gottlieben Goppie was blind in her old age and Herman used to lead her over to talk to Katharine. It seems that the two old ladies had been friends when girls back in Germany. They had lived in towns just an hour's walk or about three or four miles apart. They delivered bake goods from one town to the other, walking with baskets balanced on their heads. Katharine, who had been the first to come to America, died Apr. 1, 1874, aged 63 years, 7 months, and 10 days, and Gottlieben died ten days later, aged 73 years, 3 months, and 10 days. Both ladies were buried in Boulder Cemetery.

Peter Jeremiah Bruner, fourth child of George Adam and Catherine Margaret Pastre Bruner, was born in Ohio. On Oct. 27, 1839, he was married to Catherine Margaret Coffits in Pleasant n. Fairfield County, Ohio, by Rev. George Weisz. Catherine Margaret Coffits was born in the Kingdom of Bavaria, Germany, Jan. 1, 1815. She was a sister of Philip Coffits, her mother's brother-in-law, as outlined on page 14. Their first two children, John George and Peter Frederick Bruner, were born in Madison Township, Pickaway County, Ohio, on Jan. 1, 1841, and Sept. 20, 1842,⁵¹ respectively. They then moved to Miami County and then to Bloomfield Township, Logan County, where little Peter Frederick died July 13, 1843. The third child, Mary Esther (Mollie) Bruner, was the only descendant of this branch to come to Iowa. She came with her cousin Eli Franklin Bick 1862 when he returned from a visit to Ohio. He jovially said he had married her all picked for her in the person of one, Hinton Smith. Hinton was the son of Jonathan Smith Sr. and Sarah Minchhart, (See page 15 and "The Minchhart Family History"). The match proved a success and they were married and lived in Section 1 (farm in Section 2) Maine Township, neighbors to Thomas C. Bond. Both are buried in Boulder Cemetery, Buffalo Township, Linn County, Iowa.

Peter Jeremiah Bruner had become a member of the Reformed Church just before leaving Germany. He was one of the original founders of the Reformed Church at Floom Center, Bloomfield Township, Logan County, Ohio. He became an elder and remained so for many years until his death. Nothing pleased him better than to hear of the prosperity of his beloved Reformed Zion. He was also the sinner of the Township. His capacity for management in business both in the church and civil life was remarkable.⁵² He died Nov. 29, 1874, and the funeral was held on Dec. 2 attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and neighbors. The casket ... was of pine, round ends, full glass, with extra large mahogany handles, ornaments, etc. and was pronounced the finest funeral casket ever brought to Bellefontaine. The funeral procession was over a half mile in length.⁵³ He was buried in Plums Cemetery, Lewistown.

Katharine Margaret Coffits Bruner, wife of Peter Jeremiah, also belonged to the Reformed Church. She was a member for forty years. She was very strongly attached to her husband and after his death mourned for him deeply. She died Jan. 21, 1875, less than two months after her husband passed to the Great Beyond. She was buried in Plums Cemetery, as were also Peter Frederick and little Christena.

George Adam Bruner, our common ancestor, is also buried in Plums Cemetery. He was a tailor by trade. He died March 14, 1848, at the age of 72 years, 5 months, and 20 days. The 697 Bruners living today honor his memory. The other Bruners in Peter Jeremiah's family are in the mausoleum in Plums Cemetery, except John George Bruner, the first child. He is buried in Vicksburg, Mississippi, having died in the Civil War as a member of the 96th Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

Alexander Bruner, fifth and last child of George Adam and Catherine Margaret Pastre Bruner, was a tailor after his father. He married Lydia Ann Minchhart, second

child of Philip Minehart Sr. and Christeen Bond. She was born Nov. 5, 1822, at Basil, Fairfield County, Ohio. Quoting from the compiler's "The Minehart Family History":

Alexander Bruner and Lydia Ann Minehart were married on Jan. 23, 1843, by Rev. F. Weis. Six children were born prior to their coming to Linn County, Iowa. They were as follows: Philip; Louis Irwin; John Alexander and George Washington, twins; Christiana; and Mary Elizabeth. Louis Irwin and the twins died in infancy at a short period in Fairfield County. In 1850 the family came to Maine Township, Linn County, Iowa, and settled on Section 1 about one and one-half miles east of Linn City. Philip, the oldest child, married Mary Ann Newell, March 21, 1867, with the Rev. E. C. Bond officiating. They went with the Newells to Norton Co., North Kansas, in the middle seventies. Philip died and was buried at Norton Center.

Christiana Bruner, fifth child of Alexander and Lydia Ann Minehart Bruner, married John S. Birk, son of "Grandpa" Erhard Birk. They were married Jan. 26, 1847, by the Boulder Church minister, Rev. James Smith, in Boulder Township in Section 24, two miles east of Prairietown. Later John sold out to his wife's cousin, an Hall, and they moved south to Section 25 in Boulder Township, just inside the Jones and Linn Counties. Here they built an enormous barn, which was reputed to be the largest in Linn County, and acquired a farm of about 400 acres, half of which was in Jones County. The original 160 acres was purchased from their cousin, Stephen F. Pickel, and much of the remainder was acquired in labor patches, paid for by selling the wood cut therefrom. In later years John and "Christina" retired to Kansas, where they both died. They are buried in Boulder.

Simon Peter Bruner,¹⁶ seventh child of Alexander and Lydia Ann Minehart Bruner, married Mary E. Bond, daughter of Ellis Arnold. They were married by the Rev.

Lafayette on March 4, 1875. He and his wife had a small son, and sister Anna M. Elizabeth Bruner, went with their cousin, Noah Fenstermaker¹⁷ and family, to Kansas in the rush of '75. From the Minehart History:

The party left Central City April 15th, 1875, and three days later found them at Minco, Iowa. Here they celebrated the birthday of the members of the party, namely Simon Peter Bruner, then twelve years, and his little cousin, Lucy Ellen Fenstermaker, then one and a half. They were days brought over to Fillers Creek, Kansas, at a point about five miles northeast of Manhattan. Mary's father's wife, Mary A., ill from approaching childbirth, declared that she could travel no further that day. The party ate dinner on a hill with no trees in sight, nothing but the open prairie. However about 4 P. M. the doctor's wagon was located and although there was no horse and no Peter carried Mary inside. Since they were out of it it was agreed that Noah and his family should drive to Manhattan and that Peter and his wife should meet them there as soon as Mary was able to ride. At about midnight word was brought by a man or horse much that Mary was seriously ill, and a coach rode back to the wagon. Although three doctors were procured (two riding twenty miles after one of them) Mary passed away shortly after having given birth to a baby weighing one and one-half pounds. She stated that it was not live and requested that it be buried in the fact. The funeral was held in the afternoon in the little dugout and was largely attended, there being seven lumber wagon loads of homesteaders. The infant, which Mrs. Fenstermaker carried on a pillow, died that night in Manhattan and was buried with its mother the next day.

Three days later the rest of the saddened party arrived at the home of Peter's father, Philip, at Norton Center, Norton County, Northwest Kansas....."

Anna M. Elizabeth returned to Linn County, Iowa, on March 11, 1880, married Rev. John Allen Hahn. She was married by her sister Hannah P. Bruner who lived in

marriage to John W. Arnold, brother of the above Mary A. Arnold. The Rev. J. A. Smith of Boulder Church officiated. Anna Bruner Hahn lived the latter years of her life in Lake Mills, Wisconsin. She died and was buried there. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold settled on the old Ferman place in Section 16, Buffalo Township. They later sold the Alce Bruner place of 160 acres, located in Section 3, Maine Township. The last years of their lives were spent in Central City. Both were buried in Boulder Cemetery.

Since Peter Bruner returned from Kansas and went to Ohio for his second wife, Clara Virginia Carling. They were married by Rev. O. Kennedy on Feb. 17, 1881. Returning, they stayed the first night at the John Birk farm. Coincidentally, another young married couple returning from a honeymoon, spent the night at the same place. They were my grandparents, Oscar F. Hart and his wife, Melinda Jane Minchert. The latter was a little cousin of Peter Bruner and his sister Christiana Birk. Incidentally, this was the record-breaking winter of '81, the like of which has not been seen since, according to our ancestral old-timers. Peter and his wife lived for a time in Section 16 next to John W. Arnold's place later owned by Thomas Wilmoth. They then moved to Tennessee.

George Adam Bruner, eighth child of Alexander and Lydia Ann Minchert Bruner, married Carrie L. Waller on Oct. 1, 1883, the Rev. W. D. Mitchell of Fairview (once County) officiating. Eli Bruner, the ninth child, was married to Mary A. Burns of Central City, Sept. 22, 1891, by Rev. Moxam. Both brothers settled on eighties north of their father. However, it was not long before Peter returned from Tennessee and persuaded them all to go there to live. Peter died and was buried at Deane in Franklin County, South Central Tennessee. He eventually went to Florida and then to California where he died in San Diego. His wife remarried Rev. W.C. Houghton, a

native of England. Both Mrs. Peter Bruner and Mrs. W.C. Houghton are still living. George Adam Bruner returned to Central City and ran a tile factory for a time. He then went back to Tennessee and is now living with his wife in Nashville, at the age of 84. He is the last of his generation, -- the only one living today of the thirty-seven grandchildren born to George Adam Bruner and Catherine Margaret Foster Bruner. Also, strangely enough, he was the only namesake of our common ancestor, among the grandchildren. In point of years he has outlived all of them except John Coffitt.

Alexander Bruner died Dec. 1, 1899, aged 81 years, 7 months, and 25 days, in Franklin County, Tennessee. His remains were brought back and buried in Boulder Cemetery, Buffalo Township, Linn County, Iowa. Four years later on Dec. 14, 1903, Lydia Ann passed away, aged 81 years, 1 month, and 9 days. Her last days were spent in the home of her son-in-law, John Birk, in Anamosa, Iowa. She was also buried in Boulder.

And thus is completed the story of those who made it possible that we of the present generation might live. Peace be with them in Heaven and let us so strive that we may honor the blood of our forefathers.

¹Montgomery, "Translator's Preface" to *Muston*, *op. cit.*, *of the Alps*, Glasgow, Blackie and Son, 1857, Vol. I, p. vii.

²Boyer, "Authors Preface" to *Muston*, *op. cit.*, p. vi.

³*Muston*, *op. cit.*, Vol. II, p. 216, footnote: "My translation is: 'Judgment of the court of the parliament of Dauphiny, bearing warning to Claude Muston, of Ville-Claire of Montoules, in Propale, and to all others of his oblige, to make no assembly under the pretence of any religion....' Montoules is in the valley of the Saône."

⁴*Muston*, *op. cit.*, Vol. II, p. 4, 1857.

⁵Hart of Propale, in the *Grandes Alpes*.

⁶*Muston*, *op. cit.*, Vol. II, p. 4.

⁷Whether any of the families mentioned in *Muston* are not known.

⁸*Muston*, *op. cit.*, Vol. II, p. 4, 1857.

⁹*Ibid.*, p. 200.

¹⁰*Ibid.*, p. 202, footnote.

¹¹*Ibid.*, p. 117, and footnote.

¹²*Ibid.*, p. 117, footnote.

¹³"The Vale of Aarouch," *ibid.*, p. 31.

¹⁴Dr. Robert Clouder.

¹⁵*Biographical History of John G. Clark*, Vol. I, p. 100. Clarke, *William Clark*, Chicago, 1881, p. 100.

¹⁶Alexander Bruner Clark, now in possession of the Clark family.

¹⁷This story is adapted from Mrs. L. A. Bruner. She says that the grandfather and older Bruner's spelling of "Bruner" as it properly should be in the German.

¹⁸Story adapted from Mrs. Corbelle Jane Bruner.

¹⁹The family later paid him back.

²⁰Story adapted from Mrs. Frank Bruner.

²¹Story adapted from Mrs. Frank Bruner.

²²*Ibid.*, p. 2.

²³*The Minchert Family History*.

²⁴*The Hart Family History*.

²⁵There is a copy in possession of the Hart family.

²⁶Quite probably.

²⁷To the compiler's knowledge there is no real family history. However in the course of my search and inquiries, some material on the family has been found. Should any descendant care to work it up, I would be glad to be had for the asking.

²⁸*Biographical Record of John Hart, Iowa, 1881*.

²⁹Now in possession of William Hart, Chicago.

³⁰Will Bremner also has written a history of the Hart family, written in German.

³¹*Biographical Record of John Hart, Iowa, 1881*.

³²History of Hanna, Iowa, 1881, p. 100. (Hanna, Iowa, 1881, p. 100.)

³³*The Minchert Family History*.

³⁴Political. Perhaps a copy of the original is in the local name Berak.

³⁵*Ibid.*, p. 6 and 9; also p. 10.

³⁶Brother of Chris Miller. A sister, Mrs. J. Miller, was the wife of William Miller.

³⁷Difficult. In the date records of the Hart family, now been found.

³⁸*Ibid.*, p. 8, and 20.

³⁹Jake Shoemaker remarried after he and his wife separated. She (taking their first girl) later married the second wife of Grandfather Phil & Minchert, a well-known Minchert ancestor. *The Minchert Family History*.

⁴⁰Mrs. Philena (Archie Ray) Miller had sixteen children.

⁴¹W. T. Harding was born June 11, 1818 in Kentucky. He was the son of Stephen and Ann Harding, and had two brothers and five sisters.

⁴²W. T. Harding remarried Mary A. Gline following the death of his first wife on June 11, 1851. Their children were born.

⁴³*Ibid.*, p. 9 and 10, and 11.

⁴³Mrs. Simon Peter Bruner. V. p. 8
⁴⁴William Shoemaker Sr. (V. p. 9 and footnote 38) lived in the old John Lewis Bruner place.

⁴⁵V. p. 6.

⁴⁶V. The Minehart Family History.

⁴⁷Ibid.

⁴⁸Portrait and Biographical Album of Linn County, Mo., 1884, p. 170.

⁴⁹V. The Minehart Family History.

⁵⁰No relationship with Jane Schoenover known.

⁵¹The death date of Peter Frederick Bruner is given as Jul. 24, 1844, in both the family Bibles of William (later) Bruner Smith (possession of Mrs. Wilson Aldrich) and of Jeremiah Bruner (possession of Mrs. Leba C. Smith). The Bibles agree that he was 1 yr., 10 mos., and 1 day old at time of death and yet both give his birth date as Oct. 7, 1842. Some error here.

⁵²V. p. 23.

⁵³Largely adapted from newspaper clippings at the time.

⁵⁴Sam Hall was the husband of Hannah Catherine Seale Woodsen (granddaughter of Hannah C. Hall Bruner) and was the son of Sam Hall, brother of Hannah C. Hall Bruner. V. footnote 26.

⁵⁵V. pp. 6 & 22 ff.

⁵⁶Do not confuse with cousin Simon Peter Bruner, p. 6. See the family tree. Not also that there were two George Bruners; three George Adam Bruners, and two Alexander Bruners.

⁵⁷Son of Mrs. Nathan Fenstermaker, sister of Lucia Ann Minehart Bruner.

COUSINS: There are two methods of computing the relationship of cousin; the civil law and the common law. Both are correct although the compiler inclines to the former as being the least confusing of the two. They are tabulated diagrammatically as follows:

Father	-----	Brother
F 1	son	B 1
F 2	grandson	B 2
F 3	great-grandson	B 3
F 4	great-great grandson	B 4
F 5	great-great-great-grandson	B 5

Method No. 1: 1 and F1 are first cousins; F2 and B1 are second cousins; F3 and B2 (or B1 and F2) are first cousins once removed; etc. e. g. F1 and B5 are first cousins four times removed; F4 and B5 are fourth cousins once removed; F5 and B5 are fifth cousins; etc.

Method No. 2: F1 and B1 are first cousins; F2 and B2 are second cousins; F3 and B3 are third cousins; etc. e. g. F1 and B5 are fifth cousins; F4 and B5 are eighth cousins; F5 and B5 are ninth cousins; etc.

UNCLE-NIECE: Referring to diagram above: "Brother" is the uncle of F1, the first-uncle of F2, the great-great uncle of F5, etc. (sometimes the word "grand" is used viz. great-grand-uncle, etc.) F1 is the nephew of "Brother", F2 is the grand-nephew, F3 is the great-grand-nephew, F4 is the great-great-grand-nephew, etc. etc.

WOMAN-NIECE or AUNT-NEPHEW; or UNCLE-NIECE relationships are similar.

STATISTICS

Total number of names in Bruner Family ----- 1259

Total number of descendants of George Adam Brunner
and Catharine Margaret Pastre ----- 894

Total number living today ----- 697

Number of families with members living ----- 312

Of these, more than 12% live at or near Central City, Linn
County, Iowa; 5% live at Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa;
and the total for Linn County, Iowa, is less than 20%. The
total percentage of the families living in Iowa is over 30%.

11% live in California; 9% live in Ohio; 7% live in Minn-
esota; less than 6% live in Washington; over 4% live in
South Dakota; less than 4% live in Nebraska; less than 4%
live in Tennessee; and the remainder reside in Illinois,
Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, Oklahoma, Wisconsin,
Florida, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, Michigan, Alabama, Alaska,
Arizona, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, New York, and Canada.

Descendants by Generations:

	Total No.	Living	Deceased
2nd Generation:	5	0	5
3rd Generation:	37	1	36
4th Generation:	142	74	68
5th Generation:	329	256	73
6th Generation:	310	297	13
7th Generation:	55	52	3

Descendants by Families:

John George Brunner	60	45	15
John Lewis Bruner	535	431	104
Katharine Brunner Coffits	125	99	26
Peter Jeremiah Bruner	63	48	15
Alexander Bruner	125	89	36
(Intermarriage, so totals)	889	697	192)

Grandchildren ranked as to age:

	Years	Months	Days
John Coffits -----	80	3	22
George Adam Bruner (Living) -----	84	-	-
Simon Peter Bruner (Son of J.L.B.) -----	83	8	0
Mary Esther (Mollie) Bruner Smith -----	81	7	23
Lewis Alexander Bruner (Son, J.L.B.) -----	80	9	19
Noah Bruner -----	80	3	10
Lovina Jane Bruner Hart Campbell -----	79	0	13
Anna M. Elizabeth Bruner Hahn -----	78	7	12
Anna Magdalene Bruner Smith -----	77	8	12
Simon Peter Bruner (Son, Alex. B.) -----	76	4	3
Christiane Bruner Birk -----	71	1	1
Sarah (Sadie) Elizabeth Bruner Nau -----	70	3	10
Hannah C. Bruner Arnold -----	68	6	17
William Henry Bruner -----	61	3	18
Alexander Coffits -----	59	4	13
Eli Bruner -----	58	2	21
Catharine Brunner Bickel -----	43	2	30
Philip Bruner -----	43	9	0
Laura Ann Bruner Shoemaker -----	42	8	8
Margaret Elizabeth Bruner Falck -----	41	4	23
Mary Martha Bruner Fuller -----	39	1	17
Catharine Coffits Slife -----	35	2	28
Hannah Catherine Bruner Mittan -----	35	7	10
Lewis Coffits -----	34	-	-
Christena Bruner Minchart -----	34	1	13
Lewis Alexander Bruner (Son, P.J.B.) -----	33	1	-
Phebe Coffits Minchart -----	32	0	12
Lydia Ann Bruner Bond -----	29	1	2
Lovina Brunner Shaeffer -----	25	3	20
Henry Coffits -----	22	6	24
John George Bruner (Son, P.J.B.) -----	22	4	1
Philippine Jane Bruner -----	16	9	10
Christena Bruner (Daughter, P.J.B.) -----	11	11	0
Peter Frederick Bruner -----	1	9	4
Louis Irwin Bruner -----	1	8	27
George Washington Bruner -----	0	3	12
John Alexander Bruner -----	0	3	5

Isaac Jonathan Bickel*
 (Oct.31,1846-Dec.30,1886)
 Luana Marie Schoonover*
 (Rem.Resin R. Penn*)

Ira Albert Bickel
 Rose McRobert
 Eunice Prisk
 George Franklin Bickel
 Mary Elizabeth Hart

Eli Franklin Bickel
 Marion LaVaughn Brown
 (Divorced)

Mertie Jane Bickel
 George Ezra Minehart

George Olin Minehart
 Grace French

Vivian Minnie Minehart
 Melba Mertie Minehart

Luana Christena Minehart
 Frank Ellwood

Marvin Frank Ellwood
 Pearl Ellwood*
 Beryl Maxine Ellwood
 Ralph Ray Ellwood
 Dwayne Chester Ellwood

Neil Wilbur Minehart*
 Minerva Susanna Ratcliff
 (Rem.Ray Henry LeClare)

Herna Minerva Minehart
 Verla May Minehart
 Nona WyVonne Minehart

Ruby Irene Minehart
 Henry Ellwood
 (Brother of Frank)

Floyd Ezra Ellwood
 Gene Richard Ellwood

Howard Verle Minehart*
 Leona Wilkinson

Jeanet Ann Minehart

John Curtis Bickel
 Edna Fanny Scism

Mildred Luana Bickel
 Walter Glenn Ross

Milton Laverne Ross
 Edna June Ross

Lydia Lovina Shaeffer
(Dec. 14, 1853-
Jabez Hedges*

John Harold Nau
(Jan. 18, 1888-
Leah F. Jarnette

John McKendree Nau

Setty Ana Pau

Sennett E. Nae

Heber Bradley Haw
(Dec. 19, 1869)
Olive Keller

Dorothy Elizabeth Mu
(Nov. 12, 1893)
Russell R. Peters

Thomas Russell, 1870

Richard Peters

ANNA AGDALENS BRUNER* (Aug. 23, 1833 - Nov. 11, 1900) (Sept. 11, 1831 - Nov. 9, 1900) (Portland)

Hannah Catherine Smith*
Samuel James Hall
(Nephew of Hannah Hall)

James Augustus Woodson*

Jennie Florence Hall*
Edna Leila Hall
Morris Boyd
William Casow

Joel Irvin Woodson
Clarence Burleigh Woodson
Gora Dell Roberts

Leila Hall Boyd

Beryl C. Woodson
Arthur Carl Casow

David Douglas Woodson

Kari Grant Woodson

Bruce Alan Woodson

Edna B. Hall Woodson
Arthur Carl Casow

Harry Augustus Woodson
Eva Huntington

Charles Carl Woodson
Arthur Carl Casow

Edna B. Hall Woodson

Harry Augustus Woodson Jr.

Daniel Andrew Woodson
Vivian Taylor

Charles Carl Woodson

Arthur Carl Casow

Edna B. Hall Woodson

Edna B. Hall Woodson

Ruby Pearl Woodson
Edna Douglas Woodson

Harry Augustus Woodson Jr.

Adeline Alice Woodson*

Ira Daniel Smith*
Rosa May Lacy*

Infant son*
Roland Edward Smith
Mable Mann

Ella Marie Smith
 Rosa Hilson Smith
 Daniel Richard Smith
 Robert Edward Smith
 Lois Herlihy Smith
 William Elizabeth Smith
 Susan Marie Smith

Mary May Smith*
Mable Pearl Smith
Charles Edward Smith

Joni Urias Smith*

	Francis Aletha Richards Loren Isaac Hargrave	Kenneth Richards Hargrave Sarah Erb
	Jay Dee Richards Irene Beck	Helen Elizabeth Richards
George Earl Minchart Myrtle Jane Pickel	George Ellis Minchart Grace French	Victor George Minchart Mabel Myrtle Minchart
	Luana Christina Minchart Frank Ellwood	Ernest Frank Ellwood Frank Ellwood* Bertha Maxine Ellwood John Jay Ellwood Frank Chester Ellwood
	Neil Wilbur Minchart* Minerva Susanna Steliff (Poss. Reg. Henry Steliff)	Norma Minerva Minchart Mabel May Minchart Norma Myrtle Minchart
	Ruby Irene Minchart Harry Ellwood (Brother of Isaac)	Ruby Norma Ellwood Richard Ellwood
	Howard Marie Minchart* Loona Wilkinson	James Earl Minchart Mabel E. Long
Philip Irvin Minchart Jessie Pearl Foster	Robert Irvin Minchart Noble Miller	William Leona Minchart William King

MIN. STENA PETER* (Sept. 13, 1824 - Dec. 26, 1888) - DEATH: MIN. STENA* (June 11, 1824 - Apr. 2, 1880) (Continued)

George Harrison Minehart Vivian Starf	Patricia Lou Minehart Harrison Philip Minehart Robert Lowell Minehart
James Christina Minehart*	
Netta May Minehart	

SIMON PETER* BRUNER* (May 23, 1830 - Jan. 23, 1900) - CATARINE JULIA* (May 16, 1842 - 1901)

Mary C. Bruner* (Adopted daughter of C. H. Bruner*)	Elna Richley* Erling J. Richley
Herbert Richley (Al. Augustus Richley)	Infant son* Infant*

Mary Elizabeth Mittan
James Buchanan Rothwell*

James William Rothwell*
Florence June Griffith
Lucretia Sophia Johnson

Robert James Rothwell
James William Rothwell Jr.
Harbert Edward Rothwell

Lucy Lucina Rothwell (Twin)
Charles Howard Burt

Lucas James Burt
Felic Phil Burt

Gloria Ruth Burt
Judith Yvonne Burt

John Ray Burt
Lucia Polay
Elizabeth Burt

Charles Francis Burt
John Burt Burt
William Burt

Albert Joshua Rothwell (Twin)
Cliff Johnson*
James Edgar Beckwith

Lucy Jane Rothwell

John Edward Rothwell
Pearl Helen Bonner

John Edward Rothwell
Edward John Rothwell
Mabel Helen Rothwell
John Harold Rothwell

Mary Jacqueline Brown
Charles Lynn Rothwell
Hermia Isobel Spencer
Margaret May Rothwell
Thomas Arthur Meaden
Arthur Clemens Rothwell

Mae Elizabeth Meaden
Philip Sanford Price

HANNAH CATHARINE BRUNER* (Sept. 4, 1837-Apr. 14, 1873) -- WILLIAM ROLOSON MITTAN* (July 31, 1831-Oct. 1, 1914) (Continued)

	Harland Andrew Rothwell* Lola Belle McGahan Clyde Henry Rothwell Mildred Ola Hill	Edith Marie Rothwell Helen Louise Rothwell
Lovina Catharine Mittan*		
Emma Cordelia Mittan Clarence Jewel* Charles Henry Sawyer*	Fred William Jewel* Fay Jewel* Altha May Sawyer Monroe Larry	Charmaine Esther Larry Robert Larry
	Lewis Harland Sawyer Ella Henriette Fritsche William Ray Sawyer Florence Aseline Fields	
	Harry Dewey Sawyer Vivian Ames	Geraldine Ames Sawyer Gordon Charles Sawyer
	Anna Pearl Sawyer Edgar T. Kerby	
William Allen Mittan Alice Hook	Mary Catharine Mittan Kenneth Sylvester Ferrer	Kenneth Allen Ferrer
Hukla Jane Mittan* George Washington Smith*	William Edwin Smith Edna Sigmond Raymond Ivan Smith Ruth Olive Calvert	Mary Claire Smith Richard George Smith Donald Calvert Smith
Samuel Alva Mittan Julia Jane Denio*	William Harvey Mittan* Harry Alva Mittan* Mabel May Mittan Ray Charles Bemrose Mike Sheronick	Milo Clare Bemrose Mariom Marie Sheronick

	Emogene Louise Sheronick
	Donald Dean Sheronick
George Carros	
Robert LeRoy Mittan*	
Clarence Joseph Mittan	Gloria Marie Mittan
Thelma Rowden	Samuel Joseph Mittan
	Clarence James Mittan
Inez Willhite	
Earl Francis Mittan*	
Mary Florence Mittan*	
Emma Lucille Mittan	
Ora Ella Sandifur Busenbark	
Lewis Benjamin Mittan	Carol Marie Mittan
Florence Pemble	
Arthur Raymond Mittan	William Albert Mittan
Ruth Christena Guliksen	(Adopted)
David William Mittan	
Anna Sophia Wiedeburg	Maomi Gloria Wiedeburg
Clara Mae Mittan	Mary Katharine Wiedeburg
Charles Edward Wiedeburg	Marian Kathlene Wiedeburg
(Brother of Ann Wiedeburg)	(Twin of Mary)
	Jack Edward Wiedeburg
Helen Irene Mittan	Florence Claire Cameron
Clair Humphrey Cameron	Virginia Rae Cameron
Charles Clinton Mittan*	
Helen Scherler	Ardis Idell Mittan
(Rem. Stephen Parsley)	
Roy William Mittan	
Marie Thomas	
Doris Margaret Mittan	
Gilbert William Borschol	

Samantha Jane Shoemaker*
Charles Valentine May*

Blanche Capitola May
Hiram Loyd Miller

Olive Marie Miller
Jens Nielson

Beulah Maxine Nielson
Lilas Opal Nielson
Donald Russell Nielson
Melvin Lowell Nielson
Roland Richard Nielson

Earl Valesco Miller

Charles William Miller
Mabel Elizabeth Appenzeller

Ardith Elaine Miller
Areo Douglas Miller
LaVonne Jean Miller
Myra Chloe Miller

Lee Everett Miller

Glenn Emmert Miller

Claude Edwin Miller

Ivan Loyd Miller

Wilma May Miller

Milo Lyle Miller

	Bertha May Vay Charles Minerman	Leonard Earl Minerman Myrlc Wycoff	
		Vivienne Elizabeth Minerman Robert R. Meyer	Robert Earl Meyer
		Beatrice Irene Minerman Glen J. Jarms	
		Marcella May Minerman	
	Charles Lee May Bertha May Harrel*	Roy Lee May Esther Stone	
		Ina Leona May Claude Leroy Dees	Claude Leroy Dees Jr
		Margaret May	
		Zilfa Hazel May	
Lucy Lovina Shoemaker* Alvin Theodore Minchart	Infant daughter*		
	Leo William Minchart Maud Heddleston	Charles Leo Minchart Viola Thelma Buck Hylau	Miles Norman Minchart
	Irene Greer	Berl Herschel Minchart* (Adopted son of Irene) Frances Anna Sell	Barbara Irene Minchart
		Charlotte Kathleen Minchart Myron Rains	
William Truman Shoemaker Dora E. Owens* (Niece of John H. Arnold)			

Laura Clarissa Shoemaker* Wyron Jacob Schleicher* (Remarried)	Anna Laura Schleicher	Raymond Frederic LeClere	John Frederic LeClere
	Fr derick Louis LeClere	Beatrice Yuza	
		Mae Irene LeClere	
		George Elliot LeClere	
		Kenneth Charles LeClere	
		William Earl LeClere	
		Edward Junior LeClere	
		Anna Laura LeClere	
		Robert Lewis LeClere	
		Caspar Arnold LeClere	
		Mary Elizabeth LeClere	
	Leo J. Schleicher*		
	Lyle Marie Schleicher*		
	William Ernest Schleicher*		
Hannah Capitola Shoemaker Truman Joseph Peet	Truman Ward Peet		
	Orville Shoemaker Peet	Truman Orville Peet	
	Carmelita L. Beckley White	Betty Jane Peet	
	Muriel Svea Wennersten		
	William Grant Peet	Gene William Peet	
	Loretta Murray	Lois Loretta Peet	

LOVINA JANE BRUNER* (May 30, 1843-June 13, 1922) -- MARCUS AURELIUS HART* (Sept. 2, 1840-Oct. 12, 1896)

Ervin L. Hart*
Herbert Eugene Hart*
Lottie May Meritt*
Bertha Maud Wilmott

Roy A. Hart*

Ralph G. Hart
Myrtle Roseltha Card

Fay Brooks Hart
Helen A. Church

Frank Hart
Veronica G. Dimmig

Marie Elizabeth Hart
Carl Toepfer

Virgil Francis Toepfer

Vera Marie Toepfer

Rosella May Toepfer

Mildred Marie Veronica Toepfer

Wilma Veronica Hart
Edward Haley

Edward Roy Haley

Wayne Francis Haley

Paul Eugene Haley

Ruth Hildagard Hart

Paul Francis Hart

Stella May Hart*
Alva Reason Garretson*

Alva Richard Harretson

Dorothy Jean Garretson
Earl Thruston Nelson
Infant son*

Rolph Garretson*

Freda Mary Garretson
James Wesley Ford

Ralph Wesley Ford

Mary Estelle Ford

Mildred Lois Garretson
John Wilson Melton
Hilda Pauline Garretson*

LOVINA JANE BRUNER HART* (May 30, 1843-June 13, 1922) -- JOHN RUSSEL CAMPBELL* (May 23, 1836-Oct. 21, 1916)

Lovina Margaret Faler*
Robert Dobson

Nora Dobson*
William Henry Dobson*
Amanda Carolyn Erickson
(Rem. G. G. Spaulding)

Raymond Lyle Dobson
Marjorie Wilma Carder

Robert Woodrow Dobson*

Susan Dobson*
Della Dobson*

Lewis Benjamin Faler
Minta May Fuller*

Nellie Irene Faler*
Leonard Lewis Faler
Grace Metzner

Muriel Faler

Duane Faler*
Helen Faler

Harold Faler

Sumner Ray Faler*

Simon Henry Faler*
Elizabeth Phyfe
Elizabeth Dolan

Florence Berdie Faler
Carl Albert Hannah

Elizabeth Gertrude Hannah
Albert Lee Hannah

Glenn May Faler
Christopher Edward Rhoades

Cora May Rhoades

Elizabeth Glenn Rhoades

Emma Aileen Rhoades

Christopher Henry Rhoades

Richard Edward Rhoades

David Lee Faler
Alice Beryl King

Henry LeRoy Faler

George Washington Faler*
Adorothy Jane Calvert
(Rem. James Ferguson)

Thomas Faler*
Elva Maud Faler
Harold B. Johnston

Adorothy Ann Johnston
Mary Lou Johnston
Harold B. Johnston

Charles David Faler
Sue Grace Roberts

Bethena Jo Faler
Susette Katherine Faler
George Kenneth Faler

Harry Marcus Faler
Myrtie Wantland

Roy Allen Faler
Mabel Langenheader

George Faler
June Faler
Dale Faler

Effie May Faler
John Huggard

Rolla Faler

Hannah Elizabeth Faler*
..... Davis

Roy L. Davis
Violet

Leroy Vaughn Davis

Glenn May Faler*

Dora Jane Faler
.....
Samuel Harvey Keller

Jesse Harold Keller
Elsie Fern Massey

Richard Harley Keller

Ray Vernon Keller
Helen Cooley

Vernon Joe Keller

	Bessie Pauline Keller	
	May Elizabeth Keller Robert Louis Irwin	Shirley May Irwin
	Infant son* (Twin of May)	
Daisy Faler*		
Allen Lee Faler Emma Marie Kreyssler	Carl Henry Faler Gwendolyn Smith	
	Edwin Lee Faler	
	Chester Wilson Faler	
	Lester Harvey Faler (Twin of Chester)	
	Ernest Kreyssler Faler	
	Delia Emma Faler	
	Daisy Julia Faler	
Frank Faler Lavina Pearl Fuller	Robert James Faler	
	George Washington Faler (Adopted brothers)	
Nettie Blanche Faler Charles Miller*	Margaret Miller Henry Trusty	June Trusty Jerry Trusty (Both adopted)
James Deuchars		
Helia Belle Faler Wilbur Burgraff(rem.)	Vernon John Burgraff*	
Infant*		
David Wilson*		

Simon Harrison Bruner*

John William Bruner

Mary Adelia Rhoads

(Rem. Lon Rohr)

Rosella Elizabeth Bruner

Harry Huston

Ellen Lenora Huston

Lee Huston

Jessie Huston

Pearl Huston

Luella Jane Bruner*

(Twin of Rosella)

Charlotte Margaret Bruner

Hugh McGilura

Dan Mathew McGilura

Cecil Gene McGilura

May Elizabeth McGilura

Precious May Bruner

Harold Elwood

Helen Louise Elwood

Pearl Mildred Bruner

Frank Meyer

Eugene Leo Meyer

Mary Louise Meyer

Joseph Lewis Bruner

Lauretta Chamberlain

Harold Dwain Bruner

Elmore Gene Bruner

Lester Ray Bruner

Margaret

Alice Jay Bruner

Jesse Lewis Connella

Kenneth Rogers Connella

Marian May Connella

Ralph Edward Bruner
Willie Mae Bracegirdle

Dorothy Pearl Bruner
Louie Jacob Floerchinger

Ralph William Floerchinger

Thomas Karl Floerchinger

Mary Lou Floerchinger

William Earl Floerchinger

Edna Mae Floerchinger

Ralph William Bruner
Elise Miriam Johnson

Douglas Keith Bruner*
Beverly Jean Bruner
(Adopted)

Albert William Bruner

Harl Lewis Bruner
Alicia Emma Johnson

Lois Anne Bruner

Edward Harl Bruner

Ivan Edwin Bruner
Hazel Alma Bartlett

Mervin Eugene Bruner

Heurita Maya Bruner

Paul Edward Bruner
Olive Almeda Keeler

Eloise May Bruner

Robert Evan Bruner

Leonard Duane Bruner

Daisy May Bruner
James Franklin Mobley*

Ralph Lawrence Mobley

Effie Zerelda Mobley
Clarence Layton Scott

Phyllis Maxine Scott

Leona Ione Scott

Althea Louise Scott

	Lewis Arthur Mobley	
	Alice Geneva McBley Richard H. Stone	Robert Lamoine Stone Delbert Leroy Stone
Bessie Jane Bruner Frank Dun Carey	Dale Carey Eva Alice Treman	
Delia Pearl Bruner Fred Leon Martin	Harold Leon Martin Emma Lou Hodgen	Arthur Leon Martin <i>Claudia Ann</i> <i>Marian Rosalie</i>
	Violet Martin Ralph Ellis Hafer Emanuel	Loren Ray Hafer Melvin Leon Hafer Thelma Vee Hafer <i>Marjorie Mae</i>
	Max Eldred Martin	<i>Theodore Boehme*</i>
	Ora Bernice Martin <i>Theodore C. Boehme</i>	<i>Martin Leon</i> <i>Larry</i> <i>Grace</i>
	John Lewis Martin*	
	Gail William Martin <i>Hazel Andrus</i>	<i>Lois Arlene Martin</i>
	Ruth Mary Martin <i>Oben M. Johnson</i>	<i>Jo Ellen Johnson</i> <i>Mary Lou</i> <i>Clyde Earl</i>
	Loyal Adelbert Martin <i>Bertha Lurinton</i>	<i>Linda</i> <i>Gary Loyal</i>
	Annadene Pearl Martin <i>Virgil D. White</i>	<i>Granda Louise White</i> <i>Cheryl Adair White</i> <i>David White</i>
Graco Mildred Bruner James Allen Wright	Florence Zerelda Wright <i>George H. Wright</i>	
	Harlon James Wright	
	Ethel Almira Wright*	

Sarah Hannah Fuller*

George Henry Fuller

Clara Edith Bailey

Lewis A. Fuller*

Minta May Fuller*

Lewis Benjamin Faler

(Son of Dave Faler)

Nellie Irene Faler

Leonard Lewis Faler

Grace Metzner

Muriel Faler

Duane Faler*

Helen Faler

Harold Faler

Sumner Ray Faler*

Archibald Loondas Fuller

Augusta Munzke

Bessie Lynn Fuller

Mason Ernest Bishop

De Ver Mason Bishop

Carol Elaine Bishop

Esther May Fuller

George Henry Atherton

George Richard Atherton Jr

Fred William Fuller*

Thelma Vivian Fuller

Mavis Nottie Fuller

Arby Ray Fuller*

Philena Bailey

(Sister of Clara)

Elna Josephine Fuller

Clarence Faulkner

Philena May Faulkner

Harry Edgar Faulkner

Loota Jean Faulkner

Velma Oliver Fuller Alva Bebee	Duane Max Bebee William Harley Bebee
Emery Gilpin Fuller Elaine Miller	Ray Lewis Fuller Patsy May Fuller
Clellan LeRoy Fuller June Covington	Waunita Helen Fuller
Avon Bailey Fuller Gladys Kopenhaver Ivan Bailey Fuller* (Twin brother of Avon) Hervie Fuller* Harvie Fuller* (Twin brother of Hervie) Mary Martha Fuller Lynn Ray Fuller Minta May Fuller Gerald Boone Harold Leslie Fuller Joshua Jason Fuller Betty Helen Fuller* Gladys Irene Fuller Anna Faye Fuller	Jerry Ray Fuller

Bessie Lynn Fuller*
Will Munzke
(Brother of Augusta)

Ethel Munzke

Lewis Munzke

Fred Munzke

Edna Munzke

Earl Munzke*

Leona Munzke

Estella W. Fuller*

Lavina Pearl Fullor
Frank Faler
(Brother of Lewis)

Robert James Faler
(Adopted)

Georgo Washington Faler
(Adopted brother of Robert)

Frank H. Fullor*

LYDIA ANN BRUNER*(Feb.2,1853-Mar.4,1882) — THOMAS C. BOND*(

-Apr.24,1932)

(Rem.....)

(Rem. Mrs. Lucilla Johnson)

Phebe Coffits* (Jul.19,1838-Jul.31,1870) Philip Minchart*	Cyrus Emanuel Minchart Edna Jane Rumsey	Floyd Emanuel Minchart* Ruby M.Dunlap(Now Ericson) Merville Philip Minchart* Gladys Marie Minchart Robinson George King (Divorced)	Infant* Margaret Jane King Robinson George King Allis Maurine King (Twin of George)
	Sarah C. Minchart* Levi Minchart*		
Catharine Coffits* (Apr.26,1841-Feb 21,1877) James Slife* (Rem.Mary Ellen Nowel*) (Rem.Sarah Hill*)	Melvin Slife* Capitola Streeter	Mina Mabel Slife Nathaniel Oliver Winnett Clifford A. Slife Bartha Florence Ayrhart Stella May Slife Weaver Sherman Weaver Earl Vincent Slife Bernice Opal Venard Edward LeGrand Shibley* Bess Mabel Shibley Dwight Edwin Worrell	Letsen Everett Winnett Dorothy Estella Slife Leonard A. Seyller Courtney Alvin Slife Ruth Jeannett Slife Curtis Stanley Slife Beth Louise Weaver Barton E. Weaver Earl Junior Slife Harold Gene Slife Marjorie May Worrell Marion Elizabeth Worrell
	Cordelia Slife Clarence Aldrich Shibley		

KATHERINE BRUNER*(AUG.15,1810-Apr.1,1874) -- PHILIP COFFITS*(,1809-Sept.10,1870) (Continued)

Infant son*	James LeRoy Slife	James Frank Slife
Frank H. Slife	Laura Clamppet	Howard Slife
Mary Ellen Sherman*		
	Ralph Eleazor Slife	DeVere Duane Slife
	Ada Henderson	Doglas Ralph Slife
	Ray Duane Slife	
	Nathan Charles Slife	Leo Nathan Slife
	Anna Marie Moore	Leana May Slife
	Melvin Frank Slife	
	Dorothy Lucille Byers	
	Walter Carl Slife	
Clara Louise Slife	Edison Paul Weirman*	
Paul Oscar Weirman*		
	Walter Lyle Slife	Jean Mildred Slife
Daniel Arthur Slife*	Mabel Gertrude Wheelright	Ruth Louise Slife
Sarah Augusta Isham		Charlotte Lorraine Slife
	Leslio Wayne Slife	Wayne Gordon Slife
	Loretta Holtz	Marilyn Helen Slife

John Coffits* (June 27,1843-Oct.19,1931) Catharine Birk* (Sister of John E., Agnes and Susie)	Louise Catharine Coffits George Trevor Strite	Gladys Ione Strite Franklin J. Grist	Virginia Ann Grist Franklin James Grist Grace Louise Grist John Roger Grist
		Velma Ethel Strite Frank W. Flemming	June Catharine Flemming Doris Mae Flemming Dale Strite Flemming Keith Frank Flemming
		John Levi Strite	
	Henry Merriam Coffits Lillian Allee Cook Mary Leona Coffits William Harrison Dunn	Eda Louise Strite Horace V. Coffits* Lee Arthur Dunn* Ethel Katherine Dunn Infant daughter* Raymond William Dunn	
	George Oral Coffits Genevieve Lonergan		
Susan Margaret Ristine Byerly* Henry Coffits* (Nov.15,1846-June 9,1869)			

Alexander Coffits*
(Dec.19,1847-May 2,1907)
Amelia Frasinger*

Alva Coffitt
Erlie May Edwards*

John Henry Coffitt
(Adopted)
Helen Estelle Fish

Donna Marie Coffitt
Carroll Joyce Coffitt

Rudolph Edward Coffitt
Minnie Viola Vick

Nellie Leora Coffitt*
Clarence Erwin Reiter

Gladys Leora Reiter
Herman Georges

Robert Max Georges
Richard Herman Georges
Patricia Ann Georges

John Henry Coffitt
Ella Lavone Peterson

Edna Rosetta Coffitt
Arthur Roy Glomstad

Garry Lane Glomstad
Roger Roy Glomstad

George Edwin Coffitt
Esther Stegberg

Melba Irene Coffitt
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Lloyd Clarence Coffitt*
Roy Monroe Coffitt

Ernest Oliver Coffitt*
Minerva Rosella Coffitt

Edward Charles Coffitt

Velva Lucile Coffitt*
Charlotte Irene Coffitt

Virginia Marion Coffitt

KATHARINE BRUNER* (Aug. 15, 1810-Apr. 1, 1874) — PHILIP COFFITS* (, 1809-Sept. 10, 1870) (Continued)

	Edward Coffitt*		
	Lizzie Mae Coffitt		
	William D. Coffitt	Nellie Elizabeth Coffitt	Merna Ray West
	Frankie Runser	Theron West	
		Wilma Katherine Coffitt	Gary Lane Turner
		Russel Turner	
		Velma Amelia Coffitt	
	Laura Stella Coffitt	Lewis Larned Coburn	Randi Laura Coburn
	Charles Fred Coburn	Emily Viola Mattison	
		Morl Lee Coburn	
	Minnie Mable Coffitt	Myron Russel Slupe	
	John Clifford Slupe	Donald John Slupe	
		Ardath Amelie Slupe	
	Bertha Lola Coffitt*		
	Frank Leslie Coffitt		
	Flora Lillian Coburn		
	(Sister of Fred)		
	Mary Bernice Coffitt		
	Ethel Laverna Coffitt		
	Ewald C. Guenther		
Lewis Coffits* (1852-1886) Nancy Schoonover*			

John George Bruner*
(Sept. 5, 1840-Jan. 6, 1863)
Peter Frederick Bruner*
(Sept. 20, 1842-Jul. 24, 1844)
Mary Esther (Mollie) Bruner*
(Nov. 9, 1845-Jul. 2, 1927)
Hinton Smith*

Infant son*

Nellie May Smith
Wilson M. Aiken

Ethel Irene Aiken
Wallace Harold Goodlove
Gilbert Lynn Boyer

Winton DeVere Goodlove

Florence Smith*

Harry R. duBois

Ralph Eaton Lullois

Eleazar Savage

George Adam Brunner*

Maud Smith

Carl Leland Brunner

Harold Lyle

Constance Ann Brunner

Mary Louise Brunner

Abel Nell Brunner

Mary Estella Bruner

Otho F. Fuson

Hannah B. Fuson

Grace Teets

Mary Madeline Fuson

Martha Chryl Fuson

Noah Fuson

Ruth Laird

Harold Eugene Fuson

Carrie Ada Bruner

George Sherer

Frederic Sherer*

Clara Sherer

Emerson Sherer

Elmer Peter Jackson Bruner

Eva McCormick

Franklin Bruner

Emil Bruner

Ann Caruthers

Neal Bruner

Ralph Bruner

Clarence A. Bruner*

Leona May Bruner*

Christena Bruner* (Sept. 25, 1851-Aug. 26, 1862)	Atha Hazel Bruner Ivan Clayton	Wayne Clayton Louise Clayton	
	Bonnie Bruner* Fred Burket	Mary Burket Orval Wren	Charles Wren
Lewis Alexander Bruner* (Sept. 7, 1856-Oct. , 1889) Louisa Shroyer*	Lola Bruner Theodore Wright	Virgil Allen Wright* Grace Wright Lewis Ward	Harlen Monroe Ward Stanley Ward
	Harley Enos Bruner Rose Hill	Jean Rose Bruner Clara Jane Bruner	
William Henry Bruner* (Apr. 4, 1861-Jul. 22, 1922) Clara Bell Cox*	Alva Orlando Bruner Nellie Herndon Stella Wallace	Charles Franklin Bruner Kermit Edsel Bruner Stanley Wilford Bruner	
	Franklin John Peter Bruner Chloe Lucille Taylor	Iris Joan Bruner	
	Jeanette Louisa Bruner Walter Tipp Prince	Anna Dolores Prince Estella Ruth Prince Thurman Brunner Prince	
	Emma Gertrude Bruner Hobart Souder	William Emerson Souder Phyllis Anita Souder Donald Hobart Souder	

Philip Bruner*
(Aug.15,1843 May 24,1887)
Margaret Eliza Jewell*

John Bruner*
Margaret Ann Bruner*
Jesse Raymond Bruner*
(Twin of Margaret)
David Franklin Bruner*
Lillie Maud Waller

Infant son*
Paul Waller Bruner
Nettie Leaman
Larry Bruner

Elithe Margaret Bruner
Alpha Rex Moberly

Philip Levi Bruner
Bessie Lily Witham

Philip Evert Bruner

Carl Witham Bruner
James Gerald Bruner
Loram Lee Bruner

Infant daughter*(Twin)
Infant daughter*(Twin)

Mary Ellen Bruner
Fred Reed Huff

Freda Marion Huff*
John Bruner Huff

Richard Dwight Huff

Infant*
Robert William Huff

Louis Irwin Bruner*
(Nov.29,1844-Aug.26,1846)

John Alexander Bruner*
(Mch.26,1847-Jul. 1,1847)

George Washington Bruner*
(Mch.26,1847-Jul. 8,1847)

Christiane Bruner*
(Apr.20,1848-May 21,1919)

John E. Birk*
Brother of Agnes, Cath-
arine and Susie Birk

George Richard Birk*
Lydia Jane Birk*
Levi Albert Birk
Anna Charlotte Henke
John Edward Birk*
Miles Perry Birk*

Anna M. Elizabeth Bruner*
(Oct.16,1849-May 28,1928)
John Adam Hahn*

Emma Bruner Hahn*
Arthur Edwin Hahn
Edna Bristow

Herold Ralph Hahn
Glenda D. Collins
Ethel Merle Hahn
Lewis Leslie Skiles
Mildred Eloise Hahn*
John Lloyd Hahn

David Laverne Skiles

Simon Peter Bruner*
(Apr.18,1851-Aug.21,1927)
Mary A. Arnold*

John Augustus Bruner
Lula Duncan*

Vernon Ino Bruner
Loma Lee Looney

Martha Louise Bruner

Russel Duncan Bruner
Gordon Augustus Bruner

Clara Virginia Corling

Infant*
Edna Earl Bruner
Hayden March Kimmingham
Roy Edgar Bruner
Mary Roark

Patty Virginia Birmingham*
Margaret Reed Bruner
Nell Roark Bruner

Elsie Cleora Bruner
Roy B. Holland

Roy B. Holland Jr.*
Barbara Ruth Holland
Wilson Macon Holland
Melvin Victor Holland
Raymond Burton Holland
Deane Murray Holland

Clarence Vernon Bruner
Ethel Mai Overall
Leila Gertrude Bruner
A. D. Snyder
Ruby Owens Bruner
Frank Marston

Virginia Clare Bruner

ALEXANDER BRUNER* (Apr. 6, 1818-Dec. 1, 1899) - LYDIA ANN WINEHART* (Nov. 9, 1822-Dec. 11, 1901) (Continued)

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(18.23, 1893-
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Nina Jane Bruner*
Floyd Lee Cowan

Carric Ella Beatrice Cowan

Alsin Cowan

Charles. Everet Cowan

Freda Mai Cowan

Raymond Burleigh Cowan

Lillian Louise Cowan

Frank Edward Cowan

Floyd Lee Cowan*
Dorothy Alene Cowan

Lettie Mai Bruner
Harvey Williams Moore

Howard Franklin Moore
Edith Kenat

William Howard Moore

Wilson Burleigh Moore
Mildred Schenkleberger

Burleigh Cecil Bruner
Mattie Gertrude Dodd

Earl Raymond Bruner*
Bertha Bell Bruner
Robert A. Elizer

Robert Marshall Elizer

Carrie Lucille Elizer

James Bruner Elizer

George Taylor Elizer

Eli Bruner*
 (Nov. 17, 1854-Feb. 8, 1913)
 Mary A. Burns
 (Rem. W. C. Houghton)

Leroy Ewalt Brunner*
 Edna Hope Browning

Stanton Brunner

Marjorie Estelle Brunner*
 Edna Hope Brunner

Shirley Louise Brunner

Mary Brunner

Calla Abigail Brunner*
 Andrew Francis Lillvik

Laurence Vernon Lillvik
 Toini Elizabeth Hill

Donald Francis Lillvik

Ethel Aldis Lillvik
 Charles Erwyn Goldsberry Sr.

Ethel Marion Brunner*
 Charles Erwyn Goldsberry Sr.
 (rem. Ethel Aldis Lillvik)

Charles Erwyn Goldsberry Jr.

Hannah C. Bruner*
(Mch.11,1857-Sept.21,1925)
John E. Arnold*
(Sister of Mary A. Arnold)

Lydia Ann Arnold*
Mertie Isabel Arnold
Edwin Celah Halstead
(Brother A.L. Halstead)

Dale Halstead
Gineva Smith

Doris Jean Halstead

Harold Edwin Halstead
Arlene Miller

Robert Jerry Halstead

Clara Luella Arnold
Tracy Ezra Barber

Arnold Tracy Barber

Ezra Richard Barber

Tracy Ezra Barber

Robert Kidder Barber

Jay Linn Arnold*
Geneva Kathryn Psautz
(Rom. Ed. Finson)

John Gay Arnold

Anna Kathryn Arnold
Leonard Bolton

Roberta Ann Bolton

Christie Rae Arnold
Charles Henry Crane

Lyle Crane

Madeline Rae Crane

Richard Crane

John Glen Arnold
Eva Mae Church

Forest Glen Arnold

Doris Luella Arnold

Ora Alma Arnold
Otto Earl Briney
Bert Ivar McDonald

Bethel Bernice McDonald
William Montel Lowe
Wilma Eileen McDonald

Phillips E. Bruner*
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	Glen J. Jarms	Three children:
		Glenna Joanne Jarms
		James Gay Jarms
		Jackie Jay Jarms
	Marcella May Minorman	Married Alvah Nielsen Jorgensen
	Myron Rains	Should be Byron W. Rains
57:	Mildred Lois Garretson	Divorced from John Wilson Melton
38:	George Faler	Middle name "Allen"
	Mabel Langenheader	Should be
		"Mabel Louise Langenheder"
	June Faler	Middle name "Mildred"
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	Wey Allen Faler	Two more children:
		Harry Roy Faler
		Roy Lee Faler
40:	David Wilson*	Should be
		"David Wilson Faler"
41:	Harry Huston	Middle name "Clarence"
	Lee Huston	" " "Charles"
	Jessie Huston	" " "Rosella"
	Pearl Huston	" " "May"
42:	Clarence Layton Scott	Another daughter,
		Loretta Lou Scott
43:	Harold Leon Martin	Two more children:
		Claudia Ann Martin
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	Ralph Elijah Hafer	Another daughter,
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47:	Gladys Marie Minehart Allis Maurino King	Remarried Richard Milan Latham Should be "Alice Maurine King"
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56:	Carrie Ella Beatrice Cowan	Married Hoyte Hastings One child Barbara Jane Hastings
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58:	Robert Jerry Halstead	Should be Robert Terry Halsted
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